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Jennifer Bush, part of a team from Coventry Homes, starts the long descent from the top of the Sutton Place Hotel as part of the Easter Seals Drop Zone Thursday morning. Participants had to raise at least \$1,500 to take part in the event. The event raised a total of \$182,000 for the charity. RYAN TUMILTY/METRO

How deep do the post-secondary budget cuts go?

Classes set to resume.

Analysis reveals program, faculty losses felt in all corners of the province

Petros Kusmu, the president of the University of Alberta's Students' Union, is "unbelievably frustrated."

On Thursday, he met with administration to try to get some budget details he has been asking for, for more than a month. Not only did he not get the numbers he was looking for, he also found out 14 years of public financial data was recently removed from the institution's website.

"We don't feel like the institution is being transparent at the moment and we're hoping they rectify that," Kusmu said, noting it's hard

to engage in budget conversations without knowing budget details he believes students should be privy to.

The meeting comes less than two weeks after the province's deputy premier appointed independent consultants to review the University of Alberta's finances.

Schools across the province are combating multi-million-dollar shortfalls after cuts to operating grants were announced in the March budget.

In recent weeks, Metro reviewed financial plans and consulted with representatives from the province's 20 major universities, colleges and polytechnics to provide a comprehensive overview of the total impact to the system to date.

All told, schools plan to suspend or completely eliminate 45 programs, close whole satellite campuses and community learning facilities, as well as

trim faculty and staffing complements by more than 500 positions.

Student enrolment poses a different dilemma, as half of the schools analyzed will attempt to do more with less, bumping up enrolment by anywhere from a marginal level to more than 10 per cent. A couple of institutions will basically hold the line on students while six others will combine to cut learners on their respective campuses by more than 1,219 positions.

When asked why he believes the cuts varied so heavily from school to school, Advanced Education Minister Thomas Lukaszuk said this year's budget could serve as a "teachable moment" for the sector. JEREMY NOLAI AND ANNALISE KLINGBEIL/METRO

For a school-by-school breakdown of Alberta's post-secondary cuts to date, turn to pages 6 & 7

Free Child's Admission to the John Janzen Nature Centre
At Participating **Boston Pizza's**





Doug Horner, the province's minister of finance and Treasury Board president, discusses Alberta's 2013-14 first-quarter fiscal update in Edmonton on Thursday.
JASON FRANSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Flood recovery has 'a very high price tag'

'Unprecedented disaster.' Finance Minister Doug Horner confirms premier's earlier estimate of \$5B final tab

Alberta's finance minister says the bills are coming in for flood recovery in southern Alberta and the price tag is "very high."

Doug Horner says \$148 million has been spent so far on flood relief and another \$556 million has been allocated for the coming

months.

Horner, who was giving the province's first-quarter budget update Thursday, confirmed Premier Alison Redford's earlier estimate that the final bill to be shared by insurers and three levels of government will be around \$5 billion.

"This was an unprecedented disaster and it comes with a very high price tag," Horner said.

"The June floods precipitated the immediate evacuation of about 100,000 people from their homes (and) more than 14,500 homes have been damaged."

Raging waters June 20-21 after a torrential downpour

Splitting the bill

About \$1.7 billion of the \$5 billion cost is expected to be covered by insurance companies, Horner said.

- The rest will be up to governments, but it hasn't been determined who owes what.

swamped downtown Calgary and its low-lying neighbourhoods and inundated many surrounding communities. The town of High River was devastated. Redford immediately promised \$1 billion in

relief.

Liberal Leader Raj Sherman said Horner's update was the first true account of what the government's failure to prepare for a flood has cost. He noted that the province didn't follow through on recommendations following flooding in 2005 and, in 2012, didn't apply for money from the federal government for flood mitigation.

"(As a result) we are heading into possibly another \$5 billion in (flood) costs, not to mention the negative effects on the economy and the disruption of the lives of Albertans," said Sherman.

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Fiscal update in numbers

\$211M

The province saw revenue of \$211 million more than they expected in the first quarter, driven by higher oil prices. Total revenue was \$9.9 billion.

\$142M

Each dollar increase over a budget year in the price of oil results in \$142 million more for the province.

0.2%

The increase in GDP expected this year, despite flooding across much of southern Alberta. GDP is expected to grow 0.4 per cent in 2014, the province said. Increased business to repair damaged homes, businesses and roads is behind the jump, the province said.

\$113M

The province spent \$9.2 billion in the first quarter, about \$113 million less than expected.

\$7.50

Right now, at \$110 per barrel, oil is \$7.50 higher than the province's budget estimate.

\$451M

The predicted budget deficit on day-to-day spending. The province thinks that it may break even this year, or possibly run a surplus.

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Tour of Alberta Road Closures & Transit Detours

Tuesday, September 3, 2013
5:15 p.m. – 9 p.m.

On Tuesday, September 3, 2013, Edmonton will host the Tour of Alberta – a world-class cycling event and festival. Edmontonians are invited to come to Sir Winston Churchill Square to watch the race and take part in the festival featuring live musical entertainment, food, beer gardens, bike demonstrations and free kids' activities!

Road Closures

Closure of the race course will be in full effect from 5:15 p.m. until approximately 9 p.m. on Tuesday, September 3. Several streets in the downtown area will be temporarily closed to traffic in order to run a safe and effective event. During the event, access into and out of downtown will be best achieved on foot, bicycle or LRT.

Edmontonians wishing to head home prior to the event should plan to leave downtown by 4 p.m.



Motorists should expect MAJOR DELAYS on all roadways from 82 Street to 112 Street, and 82 Avenue to 107 Avenue. Once the race has begun, vehicles departing the downtown core will only be able to exit via the Low Level Bridge, the James MacDonald Bridge, or 97 Avenue.

Edmonton Transit System Detours for Tour of Alberta

Tuesday, September 3, 2013 from 5 – 9 p.m.

Edmonton Transit System (ETS) routes that normally travel through downtown will be on detour from 5 p.m. to the end of the race at approximately 9 p.m. Visit www.edmonton.ca/TourofAlberta for maps and service details.

A number of ETS bus routes will be detoured around the downtown core: Routes 1, 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9, 12, 14, 15, 16, 52, 62, 64, 70, 81, 82, 83, 85, 86, 88, 90, 100, 109, 111, 112, 120, 125, 134, 135, 140, 151, 160, 161, 162, 197 and 308.

The majority of the east-west routes that normally travel through downtown will detour along 104 Avenue between 109 and 95 Streets.

Northbound buses that travel close to, but not through, the downtown core will detour via the James MacDonald Bridge.

Routes 62, 64, 70, 81, 82, 85, 86, 90

Southbound customers will board these routes at bus stop #1542 at 100 Street and Jasper Avenue by the TELUS Building.

Routes 15 and 8 will go south on 109 Street, east on 97 Avenue and exit downtown via the Low Level Bridge.

Route 9 will travel west on 104 Avenue, south on 109 Street stopping at bus stop #1678 for customers to transfer, and continue across the High Level Bridge back to its regular route.

Shuttle bus service

ETS will be providing two shuttle bus routes inside the downtown road closures to take customers to transfer points to connect with southbound buses:

Shuttle "A" for Routes 7, 8, 15, 112 Shuttle "B" for Routes 9 and 52

LRT

LRT will be running regular weekday service. Staff will be monitoring LRT ridership and adjusting service to meet demand.

For more information about the road closures and Transit detours taking place during the Tour of Alberta, contact 311 or visit www.edmonton.ca/TourofAlberta.

For details about the Tour of Alberta race and festival, visit www.tourofAlberta.ca.



Cycling. Tour of Alberta means massive closures

While cyclists in the Tour of Alberta will fly through downtown Edmonton at speeds as high as 80 km/h, drivers and traffic users will see things grind to a halt Tuesday afternoon.

The city is encouraging people to stay downtown to watch the prologue of the event, but if people don't plan to they are being advised to get out of the core by about 4 p.m.

"We need citizens to be aware that they really need to plan differently that afternoon,"

Closures

For a full list of road closures and transit changes, check out metronews.ca.

said Ellen Finn, director of civic events.

Emergency access will be maintained, but many roads are being closed and transit routes are being diverted. **METRO**

Construction. Work begins on \$294M NAIT facility

A five-storey, \$294-million, 51,000-square-metre training facility is one step closer to reality.

Premier Alison Redford helped start construction at NAIT's Centre for Applied Technologies on Thursday afternoon.

The facility, which will include simulation labs, student common areas and a lecture theatre, is expected to be complete for the start of the 2016-17 school year.

Once complete, students studying health, business, engineering and sustainable building and environment management will attend class in the building.

The Government of Alberta is providing \$200 million toward the development of the facility.

"This is a strategic investment in our province's future that helps build Alberta while diversifying the economy," said Redford in a press release. **METRO**

Province, feds unchanged on more LRT funding

Project delayed. Line from Mill Woods to Churchill Square missing \$515 million



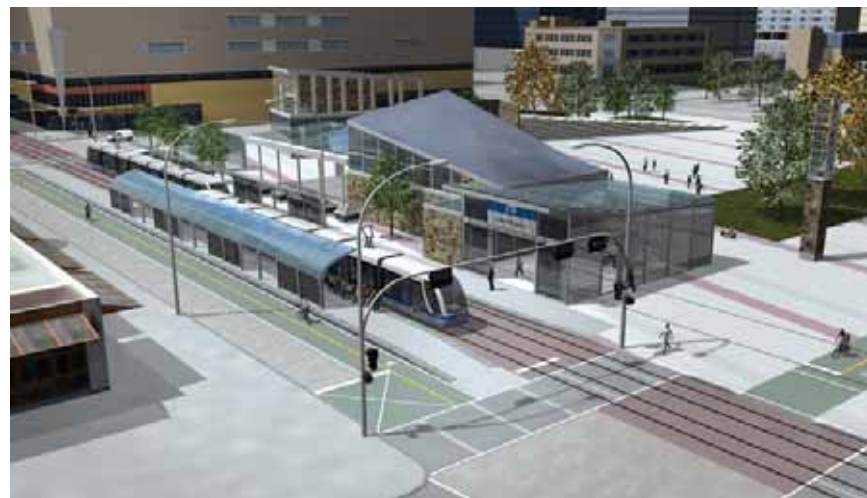
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A day after city councillors voted to delay the southeast LRT line, the provincial and federal governments say they don't have the extra money the city is looking for.

Councillors voted Wednesday not to contribute the \$515 million the project needs, but instead ask higher levels of government for the funds.

The \$1.8-billion project currently has \$800 million committed from the city and \$250 million from the federal government.

The city is assuming \$235 million left in provincial Green Trip grants will be



The southeast LRT line would run from Mill Woods to Churchill Square and was originally scheduled to open in 2019. But it is now unlikely to open until 2020 at the earliest. COURTESY CITY OF EDMONTON

available, but the province isn't accepting applications.

Transportation Minister Ric McIver said the province doesn't know when it will take more Green Trip requests.

"That decision hasn't been made, (but) it definitely won't be this year," he said.

Council considered back-stopping the project, hoping the province would be able to provide funds in two or three

years but McIver said the province can't make a commitment to do that.

He said he understands why the city needs funds, but the province doesn't have them.

"They don't ask for fun. They ask because it's important to their citizens," he said.

The federal government's commitment comes through P3 Canada, an agency set up to promote public-private

partnerships.

In an email, Lisa Mitchell, director of policy, said the project's delay doesn't impact its commitment, but despite repeated questions, she was mute on whether more money would be forthcoming.

"The Government of Canada has committed up to \$250 million under the P3 Canada Fund. That remains unchanged," she said.

\$13,800 tab

U of A president defends China trip

The president of the University of Alberta is defending her decision to travel to China alongside the premier in September on a four-day trip (not including travel time)

the school estimates will cost them \$13,800.

Indira Samarasekera said the trip will be her first international trip in several months and the first opportunity she has had to travel with Premier Alison Redford.

"(Redford) is working very hard to build Alberta's global markets so when she asks you

to go with her to help advance Alberta's agenda, you say yes," Samarasekera told Metro on Thursday.

"I did say when we were contemplating cutting back travel that if there were revenue-generating opportunities, I would consider them. There's no question this is one of them."

Samarasekera also clarified remarks she made at a budget forum to staff and students in April.

"I said I was going to cut back on international travel; I didn't say I was going to not travel at all.... People will find reasons to criticize me whichever way I do it," she said. **ANNALISE KLINGBEIL/METRO**



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Death by 147 million cuts

The province slashed \$147 million from the Advanced Education ministry in the last budget. As the first day of school approaches, Metro tallies the direct effect of cuts to Alberta post-secondary institutions. (Independent schools unaffected by cuts were not included.)

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Athabasca University (online)

- Courses: No change
- Staff: 44 laid off; 35 bought out
- Enrolment: Increase of 6%

Alberta College of Art and Design

- Courses: No programs, but 13 classes lost
- Staff: No change
- Enrolment: Expected to rise slightly

Bow Valley College

- Courses: No change
- Staff: No change
- Enrolment: No change

Mount Royal University

- Courses: 8 suspended, enrolment reduced in 3
- Staff: 63 FTE positions lost
- Enrolment: Expected to rise slightly

SAIT

- Courses: No change
- Staff: No change
- Enrolment: Increase of 3%

University of Calgary

- 19 low enrolment programs cut
- 50 positions lost
- 245 student positions lost in arts, medicine, nursing

Red Deer College

- Courses: 2 suspended programs
- Staff: 32 positions lost
- Enrolment: Numbers unavailable

Olds College

- Courses: Deferred student intake
- Staff: Up to 5 positions lost
- Enrolment: Increase of 10%

Lethbridge College

- Courses: 3 suspended programs
- Staff: 12 full-time staff lost
- Enrolment: Expected to increase 4%

Grande Prairie Regional College

- Course: 4 programs suspended
- Staff: 45 positions lost
- Enrolment: Expected to rise 4%

Keyano College

- Courses: No change
- Staff: No change
- Enrolment: Expected to rise slightly

Portage College

- Courses: Loss of Vegreville campus
- Staff: 15 full time positions lost
- Enrolment: 18 student positions lost

Northern Lake College

- Courses: 5 community facilities shut
- Staff: No changes
- Enrolment: 113 student positions lost

University of Alberta

- Courses: Suspending 20 low-enrolment courses
- Staff: No firm numbers on layoffs, voluntary buyouts sought
- Enrolment: 600 students lost in science faculty

NAIT

- Courses: No change
- Staff: 90 staff positions lost
- Enrolment: Increase of 6%

MacEwan University

- Courses: No change
- Staff: No change
- Enrolment: No change

NorQuest College

- Courses: No change to programs
- Staff: 50 positions lost, 10 early retirees
- Enrolment: Small reduction in students

Lakeland College

- Courses: 5 programs suspended
- Staff: 40 positions lost over 2 years
- Enrolment: Cut of 227 students

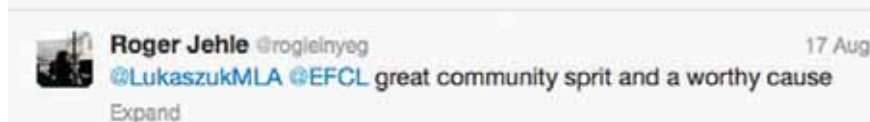
Medicine Hat College

- Courses: 1 suspended in 2014
- Staff: 1 position lost
- Enrolment: 16 student nursing positions lost

University of Lethbridge

- Courses: 2 suspended programs
- Staff: 34 positions vacated, union could work fewer days
- Enrolment: Increase of 11%





Staff, students and Albertans regularly engage with @LukaszukMLA on Twitter. TWITTER SCREENGRAB

#abpse: Higher ed in the Twitter age

Social media. Students, staff regularly tweet minister Lukaszuk about budget cuts



When Deputy Premier Thomas Lukaszuk started using Twitter more than a year ago, he was a skeptic. Today, he has tweeted more than 8,000 times and has nearly 6,300 followers.

Several times a day, when he has a free moments, Lukaszuk pulls out his iPhone and scrolls through Twitter, browsing through feeds that are of interest, conversing with Albertans and sending information to students, stakeholders and media in an "unfiltered" way.

"It serves the purpose that I choose to use it for," says Lukaszuk, the minister of enterprise

#abpse

- Data analysis shows that use of the Alberta post-secondary education hashtag (#abpse) has grown in recent weeks.
- Thomas Lukaszuk said he's noticed more people, both students and academics, engaging with him on the site, particularly staff spending an "extraordinary amount of time" tweeting him between 8:30 a.m. and 4:30 p.m.

and advanced education.

As students head back to class and institutions grapple with budget cuts, more Albertans are going on Twitter to discuss post-secondary education.

Mount Royal University political-science professor Duane Bratt says in addition to high levels of engagement

with Lukaszuk, the #abpse hashtag is being used by professors from different departments and universities — who wouldn't normally be talking to each other — to share information.

"It's very different. It's an interesting dynamic that we're seeing," he says.

There are professors who have created Twitter accounts simply to vent to the minister, he says. "I don't think it's had any impact on policy but I think it has on dialogue."

At almost all hours of the day, Lukaszuk receives tweets from students and staff, including professors who list their job titles and full names alongside their account as well as anonymous users who tweet under pseudonyms. And not all of those tweets are nice.

"There are individuals on Twitter who simply choose to be obstructive or insulting or demeaning, but you know what? My skin is a little thicker than that," Lukaszuk said.

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- 1/4 tsp. cinnamon
- handful of kale
- * Toss all of the ingredients into a blender and blend until smooth and creamy



'DOWNTOWN BEIRUT' BETTER THAN CURRENT PLAN



FOOTNOTES
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When central Edmonton residents, particularly those in Oliver, caught wind of a planned strip mall for the former Molson brewery and Crosstown Motors land, they did everything right.

They reached out to developers First Capital and Sun Life with little spectacle and offered their likes and dislikes of the plan. When that failed, they consulted area residents, gathered their opinions and delivered that to the companies. That failed too.

So they contacted the city's planning branch as well as Ward 6 councillor Jane Batty for support, only to see the unaltered plan sent to council chambers for zoning approval and then, in a final blow, see Batty voting against the wishes of her constituents.

Not that she was alone.

In what could be the first election issue of a landmark mayoral campaign, only one of the three councillors in the running, Don Iveson, asked the landowners to do better. The other two, along with eight other councillors, voted for the status quo.

Given how indiscriminately Edmonton has shackled up with developers in the past, the 10-3 vote was unsurprising. But that's what's most disappointing. We've been led to believe that Edmonton has entered a new chapter — the Good Enough Isn't Good Enough Era — and yet nearly every page reads like the last.

The Molson/Crosstown plan has some nice aspects, but its

inward focus and vast parking resemble the suburbs more than downtown Edmonton.

At Monday's five-hour hearing, First Capital and Sun Life said a high-density, mixed-use site like the one residents requested was not viable, despite Oliver being the poster-child for a successful model.

It's a familiar angle.

Years ago several speculators tried the same and offered to free Edmonton of an eyesore we now call 4th Street Promenade, but instead the City held out for investors who would appreciate its history and charm.

It's since become the jewel of downtown.

Of course, that requires a certain amount of risk that Molson's owners would rather avoid. It's their money, after all, so they should be able to do as they please. And changing plans could cost them a season of construction and \$2 million, they told councillors.

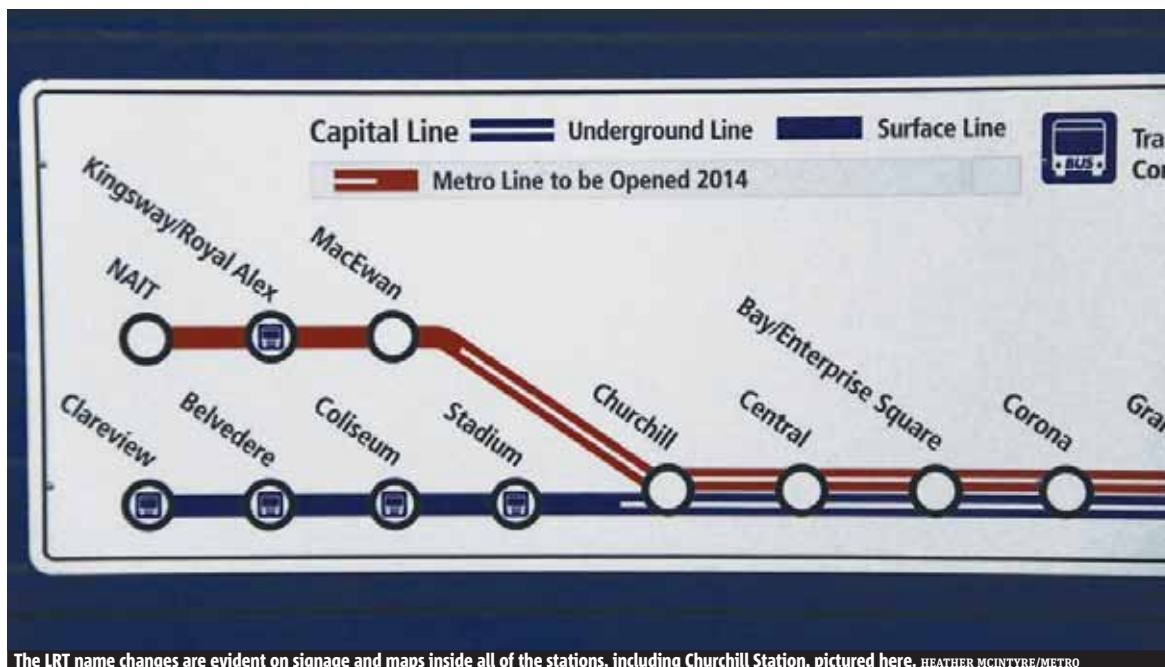
The message was clear, approve this now or you're stuck with an urban blight, which First Capital's Ralph Huizinga compared to "Downtown Beirut."

It's an ironic comparison.

Much of the Lebanese capital has been rebuilt from scratch in the last decade.

And yet, when reshaping it, developers created something pedestrian-friendly that integrated with the existing streetscape, that's accessible from all points, that's iconic but still honours the pre-war colonial architecture.

In other words, central Beirut is becoming the antithesis of what Molson/Crosstown will become and is much more in line with what residents wanted.



The LRT name changes are evident on signage and maps inside all of the stations, including Churchill Station, pictured here. HEATHER MCINTYRE/METRO

Welcome aboard the 'Capital Line'

'LRT' no longer.
Official name change
to existing line in
effect Sunday



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Riding the LRT come Sunday won't seem any different — except it will no longer be just the LRT.

Effective Sept. 1, the City

of Edmonton is officially renaming the existing LRT line the Capital Line.

"Folks in the City of Edmonton have just been used to one LRT line for a very long time ... so it's getting folks used to the idea that Capital Line is the existing line and in the future, next year, Metro Line will be the second line," said Janis Noble, interactive marketing and applications team lead for Edmonton Transit.

The names were made official by the city's naming

Learning your LRTs

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A total of five names were selected for current and future LRT lines, including Capital, Metro, Energy, Valley and Festival.

committee back in January following a public call for submissions in 2012, and the new monikers began appearing in a variety of print, promotional and way-finding

materials throughout 2013.

Physical signage and maps in the stations were recently changed, and crews are in the process of updating signage and maps on the actual trains, said Noble.

Online changes — to the ETS Trip Planner, Route Schedule Search and more — were made two weeks ago to ensure everything would be ready to go for the back-to-school rush, she added.

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Route 155 – Eaux Claires Transit Centre to Rapperswill and **Route 347** – Century Park Transit Centre to Allard.

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Cancelled Routes

Route 328

Route is cancelled and replaced by **Route 47** in Allard.

Route 329

Route is cancelled and replaced by **Route 331**.

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New Routes

Route 96

New weekday peak hour route replaces Route 321 between Bonnie Doon and Millgate TC.

Route 155

New weekday peak hour route travels between Eaux Claires TC and the Rapperswill neighbourhood.

Route 347

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The Edmonton Symphony Orchestra's Symphony Under the Sky returns on Friday to bring you outdoor concerts at Hawrelak Park all Labour Day long weekend. Here is a look at five of the music festival's concerts. Visit edmontonsymphony.com for more information and to purchase tickets

PATRICK NGUYEN
For Metro Edmonton

1

Mozart, Tchaikovsky & Dvořák – Aug. 30

Beginning at 7 p.m. on Friday, the kickoff concert to Symphony Under the Sky promises a night of romance. Featuring Mozart's *Eine kleine Nachtmusik*, Tchaikovsky's *Romeo and Juliet* and Dvořák's *Cello Concerto*, the show's musical repertoire will combine for a wonderful evening at the park.

Denise Djokic, a featured soloist with the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra at Carnegie Hall in 2012, makes her festival debut performing the *Cello Concerto*.



2

Proms In The Park – Aug. 31

This afternoon show begins at 2 p.m. and transports concertgoers to Great Britain as the show channels the *Last Night of the Proms* from The BBC Proms concert series in London.

The grand finale of the annual London festival is renowned for classical hits and exciting new music, so join soprano Mela Dailey as she and the Edmonton Symphony turn Hawrelak Park into Royal Albert Hall.



3

From Broadway to Hollywood – Aug. 31

Arrive with a hot date and pretend you're a movie star for the Edmonton Symphony Orchestra's annual evening of Hollywood's best film scores. Also featured are hit songs from Broadway, including the famed *Les Misérables*.

Music from *The Sound of Music*, *The Wizard of Oz* and the James Bond films will ring out across the park beginning at 7 p.m., so put on your best clothes and spend your night in style.



5

Carnival of Animals – Sept. 2

This cheerful afternoon show starts at 2 p.m. and will delight the entire family in a performance featuring Saint-Saëns' *The Carnival of Animals*, Mozart's *Rondo* from *Concerto for Two Pianos* and Edmonton Symphony Orchestra Composer in Residence Robert Rival's *Whirlwind*.

At *Symphony Under the Stars*' final concert, Edmonton Symphony Orchestra's 2013 Young Composer Taran Plamondon will premiere a brand new piece before the festival finale featuring Tchaikovsky's *1812 Overture*.



Family Matinee: Menagerie of Music – Sept. 1

Launch into September with your family at Hawrelak as this free show promises an afternoon of gleeful and carefree joy. Edmonton Symphony Orchestra Community Ambassador Lucas Waldin will lead a parade of musicians through a colourful and spirited musical menagerie, including music from Mozart, Brahms, and more! The musicians will be joined by street performers along the way, ensuring that there will be something for everyone at the show. Festivities begin at 2 p.m.



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72 hours, 1 goal: Write a novel



Omar Mouallem, the 2013 Writer in Residence for the Edmonton Public Library, is seen in the Gallery at Milner. HEATHER MCINTYRE/METRO

Starting at midnight Saturday, Edmonton Public Library Writer in Residence Omar Mouallem plans to write 50,000 words in 72 hours — while on display.

Mouallem registered for the 3-Day Novel Contest (3day-novel.com), but not only is he participating, he will do so in the gallery at the front window of the Stanley A. Milner EPL branch downtown.

The idea is to “open it up to the public,” said Mouallem,

who is encouraging participation from both library patrons and social media users through a Writer's Block Bucket on location, and the Facebook, Twitter and Instagram hashtag #3daynovel-WIR.

The novel — Mouallem's first — will be a murder mystery.

“(It's) about a disgraced journalist in a small town whose cat is killed by a potato launcher,” said Mouallem.

“And so he does some sleuthing to find out who killed his cat.”

More details and some character descriptions can be found at 3daynovelwlr.tumblr.com.

Mouallem will begin writing at midnight Saturday, and will be on display at the library during business hours.

“My plan is to do a little bit of writing, get some sleep and then do a lot of bit of writing.”

HEATHER MCINTYRE/METRO

Virtual game teaches real risks of jaywalking

New medium, same message. Awareness campaign illustrates obvious dangers

PATRICK NGUYEN
edmonton@metronews.ca

Jaywalking is a lot like the classic video game Frogger, only if something hits you while you're jaywalking, you don't respawn — unless, of course, you're playing J. Walker.

Responsible Hospitality Edmonton has partnered with Sticks and Stones Marketing, an Edmonton-based company, to create a video game arcade cabinet to teach 18 to 24-year-olds about the dangers of crossing the street illegally.

“Anything that can assist us in stopping some of the carnage on Friday and Saturday night as a (result) of jaywalking is fantastic for us,” said Sgt. Maurice Brodeur, who is elated that measures are being taken against jaywalking.

The game dares players to cross a busy avenue, mimicking the popular Frogger arcade game.

New strategy

“It's tough delivering this message without berating people. This way it's done so people are excited about it ...”

Colin Waugh of the J. Walker street team

“The mechanics and how it operates is something that's going to be very recognizable to the target demographic,” said Project Lead Matthew Gersiuik.

The arcade cabinet will be placed along Jasper Avenue and Whyte Avenue, two of the city's most jaywalked roads, and invite passersby to test their luck.

“We tell them that it's a difficult game and everyone wants to prove themselves,” said Colin Waugh, a member of the J. Walker street team. “It allows people to have fun while also digesting the message.”

Each time the player dies, a statistic narrated by a deep voice flashes on screen to remind players of the real-life dangers of jaywalking.

To play an online version of the game, visit notagame.ca.



Street team member Colin Waugh, right, plays J. Walker, a video game developed to teach young adults about the dangers of jaywalking, as fellow team member Bryce Zimmerman looks on. PATRICK NGUYEN/FOR METRO

A bright future

Spike expected in residential growth downtown: DBA

Some 1,500 residential units worth a total of \$627 million are slated for construction in Edmonton's core area, according to the Downtown Business Association.

Those numbers were released Thursday morning

at the association's annual breakfast.

Ali Suftan, an MBA student working with the association, said it is a sign downtown is heading in the right direction.

“People are buying into this urbanized lifestyle, and with this urbanized lifestyle people are able to buy into everything downtown has to offer,” he said. “When looking at downtown's future, it is a bright future.”

The new figures bring

the area's total residential construction to \$1.7 billion since 1998.

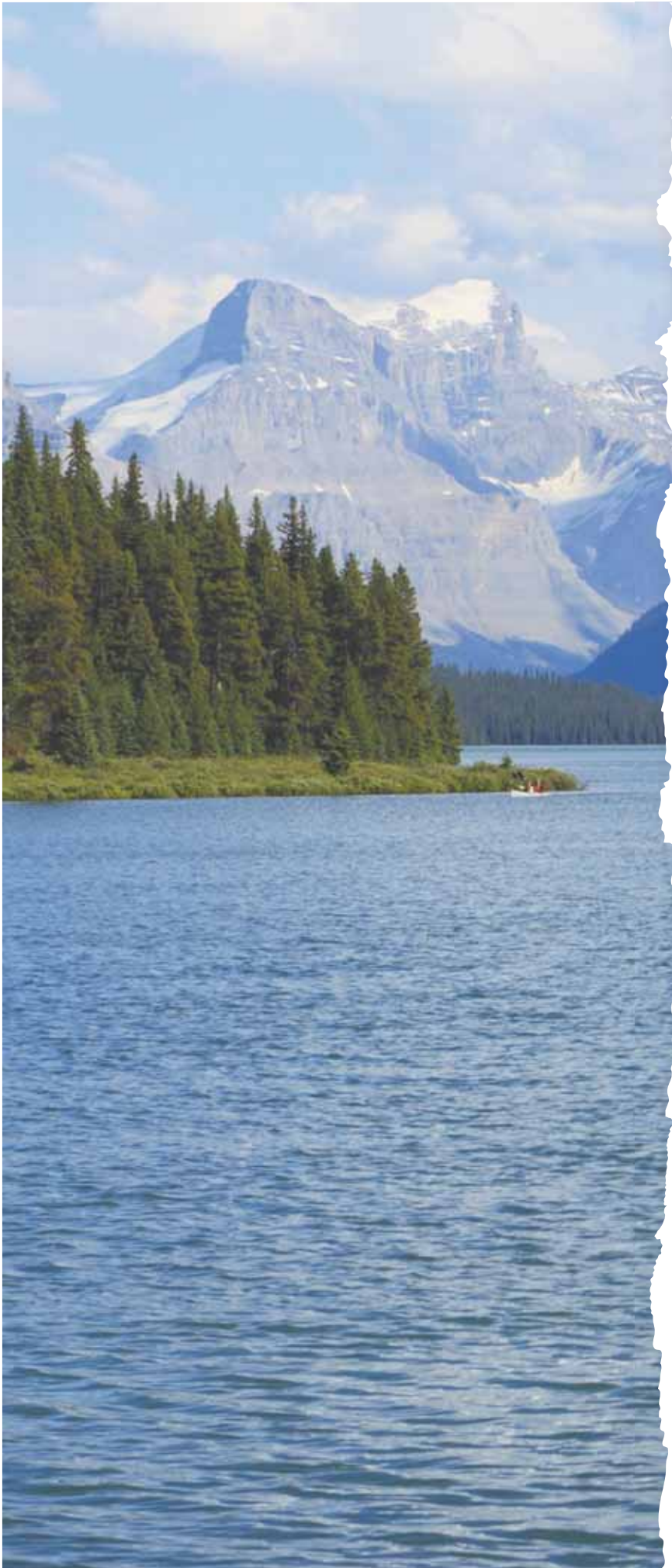
Jim Taylor, executive director of the Downtown Business Association, said the residential investment, combined with improvements from the downtown arena community revitalization levy, are going to reshape the core.

“It is going to fundamentally change our downtown,” he said.

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Ali Suftan and Jim Taylor present new research on residential development in the downtown core. RYAN TUMILTY/METRO



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Britain opts out of involvement in military action against Syria

Stunning vote. With Britain out, following a vote by Parliament, the U.S. may still go it alone

President Barack Obama on Thursday prepared for the possibility of launching unilateral American military action against Syria within days as Britain opted out in a stunning vote by Parliament.

Facing skepticism at home, too, the administration shared intelligence with lawmakers aimed at convincing them the Syrian government used chemical weapons against its people and must be punished.

Despite roadblocks in forming an international coalition, Obama appeared undeterred and advisers said he



An Israeli soldier directs a tank at the border between the Golan Heights and Syria. BERNAT ARMANGUE/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

would be willing to retaliate against Syria on his own.

"The president of the United States is elected with the duty to protect the national security interests in

the United States of America," White House spokesman Josh Earnest said.

Even before the vote in London, the U.S. was preparing to act without formal

authorization from the UN. Prime Minister David Cameron argued a military strike would be legal, but he faced deep pressure from lawmakers. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

On military intervention...

Canada is a 'reluctant convert': PM

Canada has no plans for a military intervention in Syria but supports its allies who are contemplating forceful action against that country's regime, Prime Minister Stephen Harper said Thursday.

Harper admitted that lack of international action in light of the apparent use of chemical weapons would set an "extremely dangerous precedent," but added his government has been reluctant on the idea of a western strike.

"Our government has been a very reluctant con-



Stephen Harper

vert to the idea that there needs to be some western military action regarding the Syrian

situation," he said Thursday in Toronto.

"At the present time the government of Canada has no plans, we have no plans of our own to have a Canadian military mission."

Harper said the conflict in Syria is "sectarian in nature" and doesn't appear to have any "ideal or obvious outcomes" for a solution.

He added that Canada stands behind other powers weighing the possibility of a mission. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Harper proposes to crack down on child sex offences

Harsher penalties.

Tories to introduce legislation aimed at keeping those who sexually exploit kids in prison longer

Child sex offenders, particularly those who victimize several kids, could spend longer in prison under a range of harsher penalties proposed Thursday by the prime minister.

The Conservative government plans to introduce legislation this fall aimed at cracking down on people who sexually exploit children, Stephen Harper announced.

"Sadly, there are truly evil people out there. The fact is we don't understand them and we don't particularly care to. We understand only that they must be dealt with," Harper said at an event in Toronto.

"To protect our children

Quoted

"Sadly, there are truly evil people out there... we don't understand them and we don't particularly care to."

Prime Minister Stephen Harper

we must create a justice system that is more responsive to victims and especially more responsive to children and to the families of children who have been victimized by sexual predators."

A main plank of the proposed amendments would see people convicted of more than one such offence serve their sentences consecutively, rather than the current system in which sentences are served concurrently.

Lianna McDonald, executive director of the Canadian Centre for Child Protection, said when a sex offender has abused sever-



Lianna McDonald, executive director of the Canadian Centre for Child Protection, left, and Justice Minister Peter MacKay look on as Prime Minister Stephen Harper speaks in Toronto on Thursday. FRANK GUNN/THE CANADIAN PRESS

al children, the sentences don't seem like enough.

"In many cases where one individual might have multiple victims the sentence has not to date adequately reflect the number of those victims," she said after the announcement.

"For some victims in some

circumstances it may not even seem that what happened to them really mattered in terms of the totality of the sentence."

The proposed law would also increase minimum and maximum penalties for child sexual offences.

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Pot shots in politics. 'Do I seem like I smoke marijuana?': PM

Justin Trudeau has done it. So have premiers Kathleen Wynne and Darrell Dexter.

And Toronto Mayor Rob Ford says he's smoked pot.

Almost everyone on the political scene seems to have tried it, except for Stephen Harper.

The prime minister chuckled during a media scrum on Thursday when asked if he, too, is part of the parade of politicians who have come out recently to concede they've smoked marijuana.

He took the opportunity to hammer Trudeau and the federal Liberals on the issue, accusing them of promoting pot use among children at the expense of developing an economic policy.

"Do I seem like I smoke marijuana?" Harper asked in response to a reporter's question.

Harper said his asthma precluded smoking. "From a very young age, I have been an asthmatic and smoking anything has been out of the question since the time I was very small," he said.

The cavalcade of cannabis confessions was prompted by Trudeau's admission last week that he's smoked pot in the past, at least once since becoming an MP.

Harper repeated his earlier criticism of Trudeau, saying the Liberal leader "displayed poor judgment" with his marijuana use.

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A cavalcade of cannabis confessions was prompted by Justin Trudeau's admission last week that he's smoked pot in the past.

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North Korea. High-profile singer, allegedly part of Kim dynasty's notorious 'Joy Squad,' turns up dead



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Twelve people were reportedly executed in North Korea this month on pornography

charges. Among them was high-profile singer Hyon Song-wol, a rumoured former lover of the Supreme Leader Kim Jong-un, with many observers suggesting she paid the ultimate price for causing embarrassment.

Her case is typical of a culture of sleaze surrounding the leader, North Korean sources told Metro. "Kim Jong-un met and fell in love with Ms. Hyon at a 'Joy Squad' party," a former regime official from Pyongyang said. "She accom-

panied Kim Jong-un on his business trips to rural areas to spend romantic time alone."

The affair did not last long and the leader now has two "official" women, the insider said, despite the recent birth of a son by Ri Sol-ju, a musician with whom Kim has been able to cultivate a modern image. The source said Ri suffers from jealousy, and described a recent party in which she threw a glass at Kim.

The "Joy Squad" is a notorious institution that is part of

the Kim family dynasty. "They were royal palaces full of masseurs, dancers, musicians, prostitutes and exotic foreign imports," Jasper Beckett, North Korea expert and author of *Rogue Regime*, told Metro.

"It's very likely that Kim Jong-un has continued like his father, who had numerous wives and mistresses. His grandfather would drive around town and pick up any woman he wanted — you could have a hierarchy of wife, official mistress, mistress."



Hyon Song-wol YOUTUBE

Egypt

Prosecutor a no-show as detained Canadians fight for release

Two Canadian men being held in Egypt remained behind bars Thursday with no word on their possible release.

Lawyers representing Tarek Loubani and John Greyson, along with a senior Canadian government official, were hoping to

meet with a Cairo prosecutor to plead the case for freeing the men.

But the prosecutor failed to show up, and the lawyers were forced to leave the prison where the men are being held as a nighttime curfew was approaching.

That left supporters of the men disappointed but vowing to continue fighting for their release. It was unclear whether the detention order against them will be lifted.

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Safety first

Wildfire crews are trained to follow LACES at all times.

- **Lookouts.** One crew member, communicating with their supervisor, watches the fire from an advantageous position and constantly keeps an eye out for sudden changes that could endanger firefighters on the ground.
- **Anchor points.** A location protected from fire spread from which to start building a fire break or line. Prevents a fire from spreading beyond that point.
- **Communications.** A team must keep in constant communication so crews can concentrate on their job and identify hazards before it's too late.
- **Escape routes.** Predetermined routes that can be used to get crews to safety in case a fire becomes a danger to the team.
- **Safety zones.** Creating cleared, open zones within the site where crews can take refuge from danger.

Source: Canadian Forest Service

Tools to tame wildfires**1 Chainsaw.** Clearing hazards

Used for clearing fuel from sites and clearing hazards from a forest fire.

2 Hoses & pumps. Prevention

After a water source is found, crews wet areas to prevent the spread of fire and then move in on the fire.

3 Shovel. Firebreaks

Used for constructing firebreaks, digging hose lines, trenches and barriers.

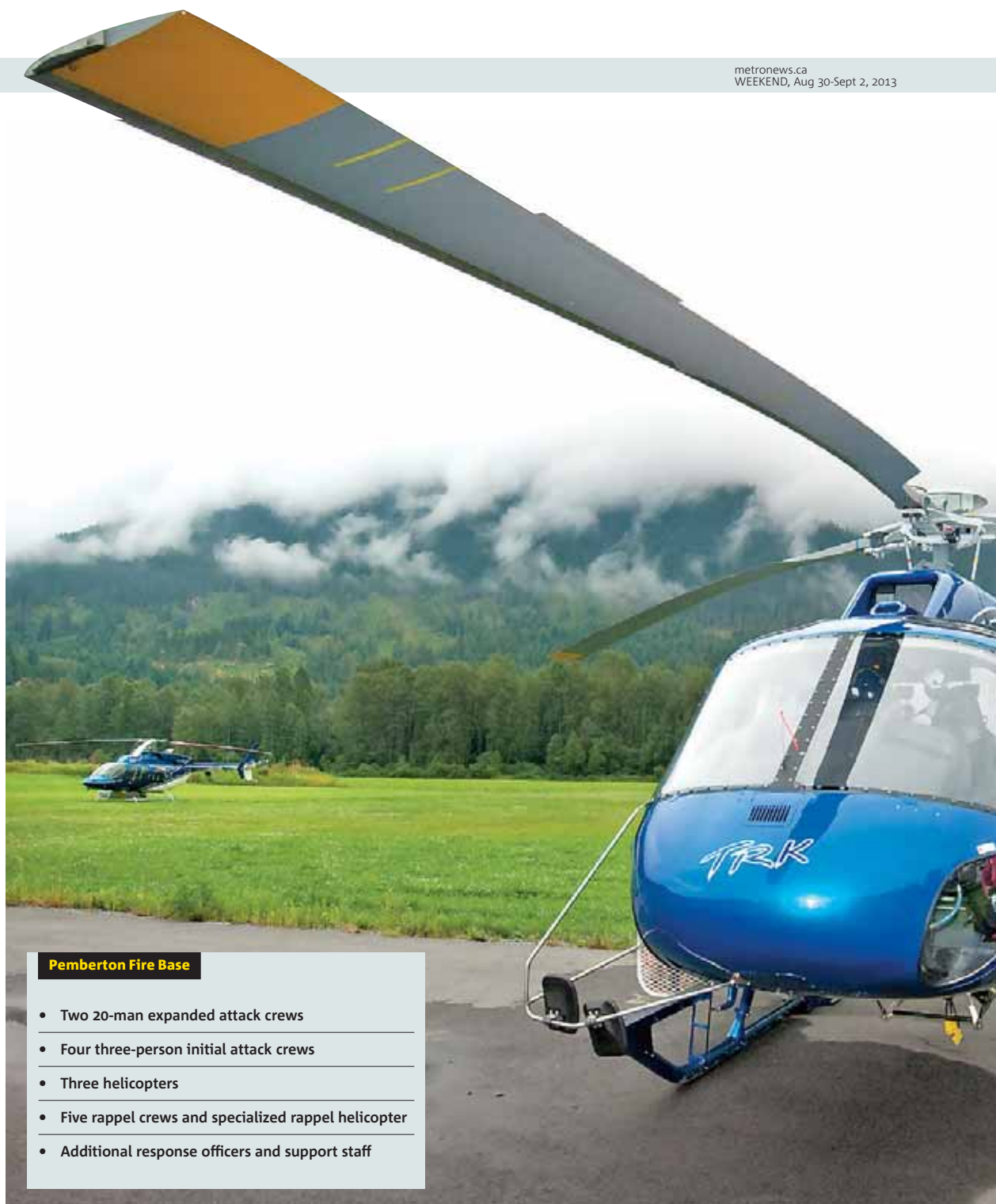
4 Pulaski. The go-to tool

Used to construct firebreaks. It can be used as an axe for cutting and also to dig soil.

5 Drip torches. Controlled burn

Used to start small, controlled fires to burn up any fuel before a wildfire gets to that area.

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**Pemberton Fire Base**

- Two 20-man expanded attack crews
- Four three-person initial attack crews
- Three helicopters
- Five rappel crews and specialized rappel helicopter
- Additional response officers and support staff

Crews load up one of the helicopters at the Pemberton Fire Attack Base so it is equipped to quickly head out to a wildfire. JENNIFER GAUTHIER/FOR METRO

Heatseekers. Well-trained wildfire crews ready to attack forests smouldering for a fight



MATT KIELTYKA
Metro in Vancouver

Red flash after red flash lit up a real-time map of British Columbia as reports came in.

A record dry-spell in July meant that on Aug. 2, most of the province was under an "extreme" wildfire danger rating.

People in the outdoors weren't allowed any open flame or campfires and already-frowned-upon behaviour — such as casually flicking a cigarette — was now criminal.

But on this day, Mother Nature was the one doing the damage. A hundred new wildfires were recorded as the first storm system in more than a month swept through southern B.C., its flashes of lightning igniting the parched, tinder-dry forests overnight.

The Heatseekers Unit of Pemberton's Fire Attack Base — located just north of Whistler in the province's Coastal Fire Centre — had preloaded one of its three helicopters stationed at the base.

Armed with axes, shovels, chainsaws and hoses, the 20-man unit was ready to rush into nature's inferno at a moment's notice.

Just not at this particular moment.

While crews were attacking fires throughout the province, the remnants of the previous

night's storm made it impossible for Pemberton units to get clearance to fly in the morning, with the imposing Mount Currie next to the airfield completely obscured by the cloud cover.

"There's a lot of anticipation in fire season. Sometimes the hardest part is not being on fires," says Heatseekers unit supervisor Joe Lax, 34, whose flat-brimmed baseball cap and youthful appearance mask years of extensive wildfire experience.

It's only the hardest part if you don't think too much about the long days covered in dirt while working furiously with heavy equipment to contain a hellish blaze as it spreads from one treetop to another overhead. It's not a job for the easily intimidated, or for those afraid to get dirt under their fingernails (and just about

everywhere else).

"There's a bit of glory to it, but most times it's just getting dirty. It's not easy on the body," says Lax. "We are in there for the long haul, start to finish."

"Sometimes we go in there and establish hose lays, we do a lot of burn-off with drip torches to mitigate the fuel between us and the fire. We do line locate for heavy machinery to build guard around bigger fires and go right down to mop-up, where we use pulaskis and dig up smoldering debris on the ground and put it out."

Given the job description, it's no wonder the majority of the red shirts toiling away at Pemberton Fire Attack Base seem to be extremely fit outdoorsmen and women in their 20s and 30s.

They're full on energy, jokes

SOME LIKE IT HOT



A helicopter starts a controlled burn behind an evacuated home in an attempt to reduce the amount of fuel for a wildfire burning on Mount McLean in Lillooet, B.C., in this 2009 photo. DARRYL DYCK/THE CANADIAN PRESS FILE

Think you've got what it takes to go to blazes?

Have you got enough fire in your belly to become a wildland firefighter?

You're going to need a lot more than that.

It's one of the toughest, meanest, most dangerous jobs in the country, so the people who take it on have to be the very best.

The test for qualifying as a wildland firefighter has the snappy title of the Canadian Physical Performance Exchange Standard. It's shortened to the code WFX-FIT and that translates into one word: Sweat.

"It's no picnic," is the very direct warning in the Ministry of Natural Resources guide to

WFX-FIT

- Carry pump on back: 160 metres including ramp eight times
- Hand carry pump: 80 metres
- Hose pack lift and carry on back: 1km, including ramp 50 times
- Charged hose advance: 80 metres



It takes mettle to do this: A parattack firefighter from the Prince George Fire Centre comes in for a landing after leaping from a specialized DC-3 aircraft. COURTESY B.C. WILDFIRE MANAGEMENT BRANCH

qualifying. One training company's guide sums it up: "The job is the test and the test is the job." It's all based on the real world and the real world is tough.

Here's the challenge:

After passing a stringent medical before they can even try out, candidates take on a 40-metre circuit at one of six training centres in Northern Ontario.

First they do it with a 28.5 kg pump on their back — four times around the 40 metres, including a steep ramp each time. Then they repeat it twice with the pump in their arms. Then they grab a 25 kg pack with hoses and carry it for a kilometre. Yes, a kilometre, plus the ramp every 20 metres. That means 50 hills to conquer.

Then it gets really tough.

The would-be firefighter drags an 80 kg sled for two 40-metre laps, to simulate dragging a hose towards a fire.

Think you could do it?

Well, there's a catch: You only have 17 minutes and 15 seconds to do it or, to meet the standard for transfers between provinces, 14 minutes and 30 seconds. Ouch.

Still standing?

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On the web

Go to metronews.ca for more on Canada's extreme firefighters:

- **Photos.** See a gallery of the Pemberton Fire Attack Base crew at work
- **Read.** Pine beetle threat extends east
- **Map.** A look at wildland firefighter crews across Canada
- **Timeline.** An interactive look at some of the world's worst forest fires



and a dash of bravado at home base — the last of which goes out the window as soon as they arrive on the doorstep of a raging wildfire.

It's all about safety (first and foremost), structure and professionalism.

"There's a huge sense of responsibility," says Lax. "You're working within the public trust. There's always excitement when you fly in to a fire for the first time but your headspace has to be all about having a plan and working together. For most guys, they just want to get out there and go to work. Fear doesn't enter into it."

Listening to Heatseekers describe running headfirst into a wildfire is less Hollywood and more tax audit: Technical, serious and, surprisingly, a bit dull.

A wildfire may seem like pure

chaos to the untrained soul, but every crew member that attacks one has a highly detailed game plan before they ever set out on a call.

They're in constant communication and each firefighter knows the nature of the fire, the weather and wind conditions, what the topography is and where exits are if things ever get unmanageable.

Wildfire co-ordination officers Toni Large and Rob Dombrowsky — the elder statesmen on base — make sure of it.

The two run the daily briefings and set up the plans for crews heading into the wild.

As the ones responsible for their crew's safety, they were hit as hard as anyone when news broke that 19 members of the Granite Mountain Hotshots in Arizona (the American equivalent of

the Heatseekers) died after being entrapped by a wildfire June 30.

"We have 20-person crews. We know every one of these people. We lunch with them, we talk, we have interpersonal relationships with all of them. To have something like that happen ... our hearts go out to all of them; it's a terrible thing," says Dombrowsky.

The disaster sparked a province-wide safety review.

"We had a safety meeting with our supervisors to discuss LACES (see sidebar) and fatigue management," says Large. "It was an opportunity for us to remind ourselves of the safety program. Responder safety is first. We have procedures in place for a reason, to avoid that kind of entrapment."

"They have to come home at the end of the day," adds Dombrowsky.

Netflix makes users guinea pigs

HIPPOs out, guineas in. Video-streaming service tests its ideas on viewers, whether they realize it or not

Want to be a guinea pig for Netflix, get early access to new features and help shape how the video-streaming service grows and evolves?

If you're a relatively new subscriber, you may already be a beta tester. Or perhaps you used to be.

At any given time, Netflix is conducting hundreds of tests across its website and other platforms. Some are based on bold new ideas and are immediately obvious to its test subjects, while others are being run invisibly beneath the user interface.

Users who have been with Netflix since the company launched in Canada in September 2010 aren't likely to be in on the testing, but newer members almost certainly are, whether they realize it or not, said Netflix's chief product officer Neil Hunt.

"One of our limited resources is users to try out

Stats vs. top brass



- Netflix relies on the statistics generated by user tests to inform its decisions, chief product officer Neil Hunt said, rather than following the so-called "HIPPO" philosophy.
- That acronym stands for "highest paid person's opinion" and refers to an organization's preference to make top-down decisions.

new ideas, so I would say it's the unusual individual who doesn't end up in some kind of test at some point," said Hunt.

"Most testing is done with brand new users who don't have learned behaviours to unlearn, that gives us the cleanest read, and so the typical new user coming in will end up in half a dozen or a dozen different test experiences, most of which will be very trivial and minor and invisible."

A year's worth of testing culminated in the recent re-

lease of Netflix's Profiles feature, which allows users to create multiple logins within the same account. And it took almost two years of testing before Netflix released My List, which allows users to bookmark titles to watch later.

"That seems like a really bad idea and so the nice thing about the strategy ... is, the customer speaks, the customer's behaviour and actions on the service tell us what the winning proposition is based on how it affects the metrics," he said. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Can I have a raise with that?

Customers in search of burgers and fries in the U.S. ran into striking workers instead on Thursday. Organizers say thousands of fast-food workers staged walkouts in dozens of cities, part of a push to get chains such as McDonald's, Taco Bell and Wendy's to pay workers higher wages. It was expected to be the largest nationwide strike by fast-food workers, according to organizers. **DAVID COATES/DETROIT NEWS/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Amid lawsuits, pressure

Tylenol to carry red labels warning of possible fatal risks

Bottles of Tylenol sold in the U.S. will soon bear red warnings alerting users to the potentially fatal risks of taking too much of the popular pain reliever. The step, disclosed by the maker of Tylenol, comes amid lawsuits and pressure from the federal government.





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Former owner of The Brick loses appeal in tax case

The former owner of a Canadian furniture retail giant has lost its appeal of a B.C. government order to pay more than \$200,000 in penalties associated with The Brick's so-called buy now, pay later program. The program allows customers to defer the payment of purchases. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

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Boeing wins battle for WestJet business

\$6.3B US. Calgary-based airline looked at planes from Bombardier and Airbus, but opts for 65 Boeing 737 MAX aircraft

WestJet Airlines considered buying Bombardier's new C-Series aircraft and Airbus' re-engined aircraft but opted to expand its fleet by purchasing 65 Boeing 737 MAX aircraft, worth \$6.3 billion US at current list prices.

The airline said it has signed a letter of intent for 40 737 MAX 8s and 25 of the smaller 737 MAX 7s with an ability to upgrade the order to the larger 737 MAX 9 aircraft.

Deliveries of the new MAX aircraft are expected to start in September 2017 and continue for a decade.

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our long-standing relationship with Boeing and are thrilled that we will be among the first North American airlines to fly the new 737 MAX in its first year of commercial operation," stated CEO Gregg Saretsky.

The planes will have more fuel-efficient engines and a new interior design, including larger overhead bins. Although it didn't engage in a formal bidding process, the Calgary-based airline said it looked at the C-Series and A320.

"At the end of the day, the piece that excited us about the Boeing MAX is the commonality with what we have today," spokesman Robert Palmer said in an interview. Despite being powered by new CFM engines, the MAX will have a 70 per cent commonality with WestJet's existing 737 Next Generation fleet, which will save on training for pilots, flight attendants and mechanics.

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Artwork depicting a WestJet Boeing 737-MAX8. WestJet Airlines announced plans Thursday to further expand its fleet with the purchase 65 Boeing 737 MAX aircraft. HANDOUT/BOEING/THE CANADIAN PRESS



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CONTRARY TO CONTRACEPTION

1 Ain't no party like a Québécois Parti. PQ Leader Pauline Marois says the "Charter of Quebec Values," will reflect "universal" as well as Quebec values and will unify the people. Banning religious headgear in the workplace is just one small step in a brilliant plan to deflecting all existing racial tension toward the greater common threat: Non-francophones.

2 On the prowl. Victoria police issued an alert to citizens after reports of a large cougar on the loose. Experts warn the animal could be isolated and irritable. Residents say that it's rare to find a cougar in these parts. You usually have to go to one of those bars out in the suburbs.

3 Surprise! Health Canada issued a recall this week for Freya-28, an oral contraceptive being used by thousands of Canadian women, when it was discovered that some packages contained placebos in place of the active pills. Now, there's nothing funny about this except that faulty drugs usually result in the loss of life, whereas these side effects could last a whole lot longer.



THE METRO LIST
Mike Benhaim
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4 Designated driver. Breaking news on self-driving cars reveal that Google is producing a fleet of "robo-taxis." Terrific news for lovers who want some privacy, and for those who are really drunk, the car is equipped with robotics. Upon reaching your destination, the car will slap you awake, eject you from the seat and dispense harsh verbal judgments.

5 NASA in a nutshell. Ice in the Arctic continues to melt while seas in the Middle East shrink. Ideas of redistributing water come up but are far too complex, especially with NASA resources being spent on a study that will allow astronauts to hibernate during their nine-month trip to Mars. I am not making any of this up.

6 Bait. Conservationist and shark defender Lesley Rochat swam among the big fish wearing just a bikini. Rochat said she wanted to be as vulnerable as possible, and boasts that she has not been bitten yet. Viral photos of the attractive Rochat have led me to my latest theory: Sharks are gay. She better hope I'm right.

7 Talk to the hand. Researchers at the University of Washington have successfully connected two human brains over the Internet. One scientist sent a brain signal to a colleague at a separate location, controlling his hand movement. This is a magnificent scientific breakthrough, but I just know it will eventually become some household toy for boys with which to terrorize their younger siblings.

8 Blurred lines. In an attempt to shed her Hannah Montana persona, Miley Cyrus reinvented herself for the VMAs last Sunday. Now, call me old-fashioned, but as much as the classic, teenie-bikini/foam-finger combo screams artistic growth, if I were her, I might have just gone with music lessons.

9 This week in music. In 1975, KC and the Sunshine Band scored their first U.S. No. 1 hit with a song that introduced the phrase, "Do a little dance, make a little love, get down tonight." 38 years later, we still get to see grandma act out the lyrics at every wedding and bar mitzvah. Only now, she may actually be dating KC.

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ZOOM

What do you have to send to Saturn?

Smile! A thousand selfies compiled

NASA's Cassini spacecraft has been mapping the Solar System from Saturn, and this was the result when they asked civilians to take part.

Thousands participated in the Wave at Saturn event on July 19, taking selfies of their tributes to the mission. This collage combines the photos they sent as a tribute to the spacecraft's image of Earth. **METRO**



A close-up of the compilation.

Down to Earth

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The total number of pictures used in the mosaic. NASA reported that contributions arrived from more than 40 countries and 30 U.S. states.



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Sure, Twitter can be a fine source of news and highly-stylized photos from around the world. But more importantly, it's a rich source of jokes from shockingly sharp minds. Here's three frequently strange and dependably funny accounts.



@abusitron:

Your number one source for jokes about using deer to engineer a McDonald's burger heist or musically-inclined druids using Stonehenge as a stage for cover versions of '90s dance anthems. Bonus points for being a Canadian.

@tastefactory:

Come for the AVI that resembles a photo commemorating a

kitten's first day at school, stay for the excellent puns on sepi-toned cultural references.

@crushingbort:

Aside from being hilarious, RTs from this account are a big reason why my following number is too damn high. Sample tweet: "I wonder how many of the people I follow are accounts that have been taken over by funnier muggers."

Twitter

@metropicks asked: The N.S. premier is latest politician to admit to smoking pot. Do you care if elected officials toke?

@Canucklehead_ca: I'm more suspicious of those who claimed they didn't. Statistics don't lie, politicians do. Oh, and pass the chips dude.

@MiaAdinaVida: Everyone does it!-it's 2013, people shouldn't be surprised anymore!

@Alannafawn84: I rather them smoke weed it will only make them

want to eat and not steal and maybe have better ideas.

@sleuth_4_truths: I care that they are honest. Maybe if all NS politicians had a pot party this election stuff (#nspoli) would be more civil.

@veryboeing: When it's illegal yes. When it's legal, no. But they will say anything to get your vote.

@WelderAnge: well I'm thinking drug use may explain something... They don't call it dope cause it makes ya smart.

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Synopsis

Former race-car driver Brent Magna (Ethan Hawke) comes home to find his apartment trashed and his wife gone. As he tries to wrap his head around what happened, a cellphone rings. A mysterious voice directs him to a car park where he is to steal a souped-up Shelby Super Snake car and perform a number of duties or his wife will be killed. Complicating matters is The Kid (Selena Gomez), a rich kid who comes along for the ride.

Richard: ●●●●●

Mark: ●●●●●



Ethan Hawke may regret making this movie, but it will be the woeful acting of Selena Gomez that *Getaway* will be remembered for. CONTRIBUTED

Make quick Getaway from this cinematic car crash

Reel Guys

RICHARD
CROUSE AND
MARK BRESLIN



Abysmal auto movie.

In this dire high-speed kidnapping tale Hawke tries his best but he is weighed down by the 'performance' of teen songstress Gomez

Richard: Mark, the movie starts promisingly with a five-minute sequence. It effectively sets up the story in true cinematic fashion — show me, don't tell me — but then quickly becomes what we call in the film criticism business a S.D.M. (Silly Damn Movie). OK, I made that last part up, but I couldn't really think of any other category to place this movie under.

Maybe E.S.D.M. (Extremely Silly Damn Movie). What do you think? Is it just a mindless popcorn movie or is it just mindless?

Mark: Richard, did you miss the trenchant political allegory about late-period capitalism? Well, me too. But if it's car crashes you're after, look no further. I liked the set-up of this movie, enough so that I was interested in it to the halfway mark. And then, there were... more car crashes. And because the movie takes place in Bulgaria, the cars that were crashed were kind of small and cheap. To get me excited about car crashes, I need to see some totalled Beemers and Mercs in flames. Quantity is not quality. Anyway, the real car

crash here is the unbelievable relationship between Ethan Hawke and Selena Gomez.

RC: Hawke does the job, I doubt he'll ever think about this movie again once the cheque clears. But Gomez? Let's just say it's quite possible she is even more annoying as an actress than she is as a singer. Her "performance" consists of pouting, grimacing and saying things like, "I'm totally screwed." If you want to know what she's like without paying to see the movie, go to any mall on a Saturday and eavesdrop at any American Apparel store.

MB: Hawke is my favourite actor of the '90s generation. But doesn't Ryan Gosling have some kind of a deal to play

every race-car driver with an existential dilemma? And there are almost no other actors in the film — just some shots of chins on cellphones. So Gomez is onscreen almost all the time, crowding the action with her annoying baby fat. By the way, whoever heard of a Bulgarian merchant bank?

RC: Bulgarians, that's who. If the movie had lived up to the promise of the scene, it might have been a fun ride, but it runs out of gas after the first five minutes.

MB: And yet, I found it had some kind of cheap kinetic energy that I couldn't completely write off. Or maybe I could, if I used a Bulgarian accountant.

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Bye, bye summer blockbusters

Fall preview. It's back to school time, the weather is getting cooler and the leaves are turning — what better time to hide out in a movie theatre?

MATT PRIGGE
Metro World News in New York

Riddick (Sept. 6)

What: Vin Diesel wasn't yet a star like he is now when 2000's lean *Pitch Black* came out, and was stuck in a valley during the bloated 2004 spin-off *The Chronicles of Riddick*. Now that he's back — or at least back in a franchise he once tried to abandon — all's good, presumably.

Why: Series director David Twohy has long been making genre films, and as of *The Perfect Getaway* has finally gotten good at them. That this runs less than two hours is a good sign.

Why not: Sorry, but *Pitch Black* is just so-so. And headline writers have at least three ways to make puns out of the name (Worthy of 'Riddick'-ule — you can have that one). This also features a character named Lord Siberius Vaako.



Vin Diesel is back in another Riddick movie this fall. CONTRIBUTED

Will get an Oscar for: Best animation of the clearly tired and aging Vin Diesel

The Family (Sept. 13)

What: Eurotrash auteur Luc Besson (*The Fifth Element*, *Taken*) sucks up Robert De Niro, Michelle Pfeiffer and Tommy Lee Jones (plus executive producer Martin Scorsese) into his orbit. The first two play parents in a family hiding from a mob boss they snatched on.

Why: Besson is probably the



Do you believe in ghosts? Then you better see *Insidious 2*. CONTRIBUTED

last person with big money making genuinely insane blockbusters.

Why not: Besson's movies are stupid. Sometimes this isn't a good thing.

Will get an Oscar for: Best Robert De Niro performance of fall 2013. (He's also in *Last Vegas*, *American Hustle* and *Grudge Match*.)

Insidious 2 (Sept. 13)

What: The second horror film from Saw's James Wan starring Patrick Wilson in two months — after *The Conjuring* — is a sequel to another Wan-Wilson hit from 2009, one concerning an evil spirit that is (get this) insidious.

Why: Wan — soon of *Fast & Furious 7*, or however it will be titled — is getting better and better at old school frights.

What to watch in October:



Gravity promises to be 3D-licious. CONTRIBUTED

- **Gravity (Oct 4).** Alfonso Cuarón finally follows up 2006's *Children of Men* with this 3D extravaganza about the plight of two astronauts (George Clooney and Sandra Bullock) dancing around outside Earth's orbit — and literally no one else.
- **Runner Runner (Oct 4).** Justin Timberlake plays a student who loses all his money on online poker and decides to double down on stupidity by confronting the guy who runs it (Ben Affleck).
- **Captain Phillips (Oct 11).** Earlier this year, adventurous audiences got the Danish A Hijacking, concerning a ship overtaken by Somali pirates. Here's the big budgeted American edition (albeit not a remake), starring Tom Hanks as real-life abductee Richard Phillips.
- **Machete Kills (Oct 11).** The first *Machete* — with Danny Trejo as an ex-Federali vigilante slicing up racists — wasn't such a hit. But after *Kick-Ass*, why let limp box offices halt a sequel, particularly one with Lady Gaga and off-screen racist Mel Gibson?
- **12 Years a Slave (Oct 18).** Avant-garde artist Steve McQueen (as opposed to the late superstar) goes big with this adaptation of the memoir of Solomon Northup (played by Chiwetel Ejiofor), a freed slave sold back into slavery.
- **Carrie (Oct 18).** The Stephen King classic, already immortalized by Brian De Palma in 1976, gets yet another update, this time with Chloe Grace Moretz and Julianne Moore as her crazy religious mom.

Why not: There are no such things as ghosts and movies like this keep people, even smart people, thinking there are.

Will get an Oscar for: Best James Wan film of the quarter.

Prisoners (Sept. 20)

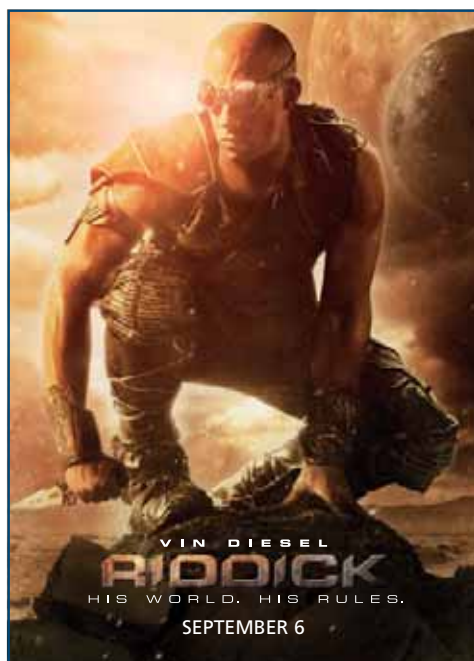
What: Hugh Jackman plays a small town carpenter who kidnaps the creepy man (Paul Dano) he thinks kidnapped his six-year-old daughter and her best friend.

Why: Jackman is a talented

actor who excels at playing tortured brooders. There's also Viola Davis, Maria Bello, Terrence Howard and Melissa Leo to help him.

Why not: With his Oscar-nominated *Incendies*, Canadian director Denis Villeneuve sucked much of the idiosyncrasy out of Wajdi Mouawad's play *Scorched*. This seems to be a heavy, humourless, obvious portrait of obsession and false justice.

Will get an Oscar for: Least joyful film of 2013.



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Dirty Wars

Director. Rick Rowley

Stars. Jeremy Scahill

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While covering the war in Afghanistan, investigative journalist Jeremy Scahill learned of a secret U.S. night raid that left several dead, including two pregnant Afghan women. Investigating the raid leads Scahill to other accounts of targeted killings and soon he is down the rabbit hole uncovering a covert American war that is quickly spinning out of control.

REGAN REID

Action/Biography



The Grandmaster

Director. Wong Kar-Wai

Stars. Tony Leung, Zhang Ziyi

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The life of the legendary Chinese martial-arts master Ip Man gets an appropriately mythical treatment in *The Grandmaster*, the comeback film from Hong Kong auteur Wong Kar-Wai. Working in the same fluid, lyrical style as his early masterpieces, Wong bends the conventions of the martial-arts genre to create an unusual sort of historical epic — one in which a country's long-standing social and cultural divisions become physicalized using depictions of hand-to-hand combat. The film seems to have been chopped up in the editing room, but it still has grandeur. **ADAM NAYMAN**

Drama



The Attack

Director. Ziad Doueiri

Stars. Ali Suliman

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Amin Jaafari, a prominent Arab doctor living in Tel Aviv, finds his life turned upside down after a terrorist bombing kills his wife. But when she's accused of being the suicide bomber responsible for the attack, Jaafari heads home to Nablus in the West Bank to discover the truth for himself. What he finds soon leaves him torn between two interconnected worlds. Director and co-writer Ziad Doueiri successfully navigates the murky territory of the Arab-Israeli relations by making the politics personal. He offers no easy answers in giving both perspectives.

IAN GORMELY

Documentary



One Direction: This Is Us

Director. Morgan Spurlock

Stars. One Direction

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One Direction fans will flock to this film no matter what, but for the dozen others considering watching it: don't! Yes, the cheeky Brits offer a few laughs backstage and the (very) brief interviews with their families are heartwarming, but the bulk of this doc is One Direction on stage and, frankly, they put on a boring show. The lads tell us they're not your typical boy band (they don't dance, you see), but without the choreographed routines you're left just listening to the music — and, if you're not already a fan, their concert won't persuade you.

REGAN REID

Comic crisis

Matt Damon weighs in on Ben-as-Batman blowout

"I know there are a lot of people grousing on the Internet. I just think it's kind of funny. You know, he's not playing King Lear. It's Batman! (That's) certainly within his skill set. If anybody saw *Argo* or *The Town*, and all the work he's been doing lately, it's way more nuanced and interesting and way more difficult than *Batman*! *Batman* just sits there with his cowl over his head and whispers in a kinda gruff voice at people."

MATT DAMON SPEAKING TO THE TIMES OF INDIA ABOUT HIS BUDDY, BEN AFFLECK, BEING CAST AS BATMAN

METRO



Movie embraces the moral greys

Ender's Game. Teen novel-turned-film bucks the trend of good and evil tales

These days, movies for teens tend to revel in dichotomies — the black-and-white simplicity of good versus evil.

With *Ender's Game*, the hotly anticipated adaptation of the seminal sci-fi novel, director Gavin Hood is excited by the opportunity to explore the moral greys.

"Some films masquerade as dealing with moral complexity, but in fact, for me, cop out a little by never putting the protagonist in a truly morally complex situation," Hood said in a recent interview at the pop culture fest known as Fan Expo Canada.

"There are films we can think of where, yes, the protagonist kills people, but actually all the people they



Gavin Hood, director of *Ender's Game*. GETTY IMAGES

kill are bad or awful in some way, (without) that moment of really having to face up to the grey zone — that place where you ask, 'Am I capable of doing something morally repugnant because I believe it's for a greater good?'

"I think that young people are far smarter than we give them credit for.

they're capable of really intense conversation. ... At the heart of it, (*Ender's Game*) is a powerful character-driven story about a complicated character who's not necessarily likable all the time, and that's a tricky thing for a mainstream movie."

Ender's Game tells the story of a boy named Ender Wiggin, who shows prodigious military gifts and is thrust into an intense training program to command fleets and combat a potential alien threat against a diminished, futuristic Earth. After years of scrapped screenplays, the film version finally got underway in 2009 but only landed a distribution deal in 2011.

"As much as people were drawn to the complex themes, they also feared them," Hood says. "It's an interesting challenge bringing the book to the screen."

The film is set to open in Canadian theatres Nov. 1.

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Move over Bieber, it's time for some One Direction — the movie

Documentary. Director Morgan Spurlock tackles some lighter fare with this film, which will include tons of concert footage

MEREDITH ENGEL

Metro World News

'N Sync's not the only boy band making news this week. One Direction is releasing their concert doc, *One Direction: This Is Us*, on Friday.

In just three short years, Harry Styles, Liam Payne, Niall Horan, Louis Tomlinson and Zayn Malik have taken over the world.

One Direction: This Is Us gives fans inside access to the young men, touching upon everything from their goofy personalities to their fears about a life in showbiz. Based on a press conference we attended with the lads on Saturday, here's a primer on what to expect from the film.

Their X Factor auditions

It's hard to believe that just three years ago, One Direction didn't even exist. Director Morgan Spurlock (yes, that Morgan Spurlock) brings you back to 2010, when the much younger looking guys first stepped up to the plate to audition for Simon Cowell on *The X Factor*. After each



The documentary *One Direction: This Is Us* gives screaming fans a new platform to scream at. GETTY IMAGES

boy was cut as a solo act from the show, Cowell decided to put them together and have them continue the competition as a group. They didn't take home the crown that season, but they did promise fans that their elimination wouldn't be the end of One Direction — and they were right.

Hardcore fans

One D fans — or Directioners, as they call themselves — are everywhere in the film, and that was intentional, Payne says.

"The film is definitely about getting across the story of the fans and the way that the fans definitely made this

band," he said.

Watch as herds of young girls scream and cry around the world for a glimpse at Harry, Liam, Niall, Louis and Zayne.

Tons of concert footage

Whether or not you're into the group, you'll be treated to a concert of theirs when you take in the 3D film. Hardcore fans can sing along to *Little Things*, *Change My Mind* and other album tracks, whereas even the most casual fan can hum along to *What Makes You Beautiful*.

A look at their home lives

It's certainly been a whirlwind of a ride for these five

boys, but what's the effect been like on their families?

You'll find out in the movie, thanks to interviews with the guys' parents. In one touching scene, Malik is on the phone with his mom as she tours the house her son has bought her.

Both sides of their conversation — Malik on the phone in an empty room, and his mom talking to her from the new house — are juxtaposed, giving the audience real-time footage of that special moment in their lives.

"It was amazing, obviously, to see that, and it's amazing that we have that on footage," Malik says. "I'll have that piece of footage on tape

and that's something I'll keep quite close."

The recording process

In one scene, Malik has just dozed off to sleep on the bus when he's awoken by his music writing partner to record a bridge for a new song in the wee hours of the morning.

The film took place while the guys recorded their third album, and Payne says it came with its challenges.

"I don't think the songwriting was the hardest," he says. "I think in terms of the way that we recorded it being on the road, and it being quite a rush — that was the hard part."

Not in the film

What you won't see.

- **Their love lives.** Spurlock says that in order to keep the film's focus on the boys and their career, personal relationships were left out of the movie. "When we have our free time, like when we had a week at home or whatever, the cameras weren't with us there," Tomlinson says.

- **Spurlock feeding them hamburgers.** Though the director has presented provocative material in the past (*Super Size Me*, *The Greatest Movie Ever Sold*) this film is in a much lighter category. It's a straightforward look at the band, in a style similar to other concert films of recent years, like Katy Perry's and Justin Bieber's — both films that Spurlock was offered to direct. After passing on both for scheduling reasons, he told reporters on Saturday that he couldn't miss a third opportunity to follow one of the biggest artists of the day around with his camera. From his first meeting with the band, it was a collaborative effort.



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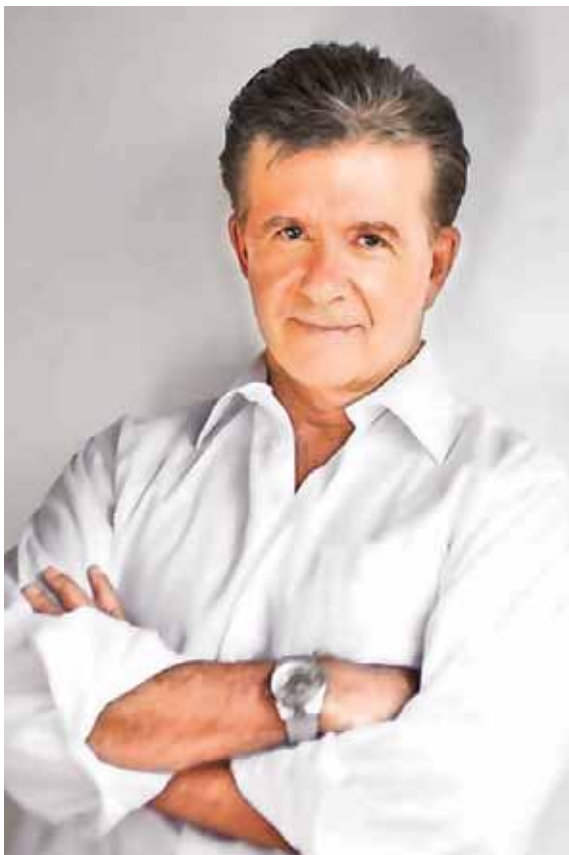
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Is Alan Thicke similar to his TV dad personality? He and wife Tanya are the newest celebrity couple on reality TV. CONTRIBUTED

Show keeps viewers In the Thicke of It

It's a question that keeps *Growing Pains* fans awake at night to this day: is actor Alan Thicke really as understanding and great a dad as his onscreen persona, Jason Seaver?

"I don't think there will be any great surprises in my character," says the Kirkland Lake, Ont., actor.

He and his wife of eight years (together for 14), Tanya Thicke Callau, are the newest celebrity couple to open their home to reality television cameras for *In the Thicke of It*, airing this winter on Slice.

"I think we all had qualms about it to some degree," said Thicke. "Not as bad as when I was offered a commercial for an erectile dysfunction tablet ExtenZe a couple of years ago. That was a big family conversation. Whether you really

Give us some gossip!

So what is it like to be at a Jenner-Kardashian Christmas party?

- "If anyone knows how to spend money it is Kris Jenner, and she just throws a very lavish, exciting, fun party," says Tanya Thicke Callau, who was one of Kris' bridesmaids. "They are all dressed in black and white — go figure — and I believe a couple years ago Bruce Jenner got into an incident with the neighbour."
- "There was an incident last year, and the cameras weren't around to cover it," added Alan Thicke. "The neighbours were complaining about parking or whatever was going on, and Bruce literally duked it out with this guy in the driveway. No cameras in sight."

want to be the face of erectile dysfunction and whether that was flattery or not."

After that conversation, deciding to do reality television show was relatively easy for the family.

"It seemed a good opportunity to maybe create

a hybrid of the genre," said Thicke. "A reality-comedy, we see this falling somewhere between Larry David and the Kardashians. That is our hope, to have fun with real life."

And, yes, that look inside the Thicke family dynamics

will include some backstage appearances with Blurred Line's singer Robin, along with medical marijuana advocate Brennan and high schooler Carter.

"The three children, we expect to deal with them in their venue, in their genre," said Thicke. As for revealing details of his life with wife Tanya, Thicke said, "We've paid our dues with each other and we are not afraid."

"We are also the Ricky and Lucy I think," adds Tanya, who is Latina and met her husband in Miami when he was hosting an event.

"Culturally we are miles apart, but somehow we have managed to meet in the middle," added Thicke.

In the Thicke of It premieres in winter 2014.

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If going to jolly old London to party as music superstars like Justin Timberlake, Lady Gaga, Katy Perry and Queens of the Stone Age shake the stage is your idea of heaven, Metro can make that dream come true.

Thirty days of wicked fun kickoff on Sept. 1, with more than 60 artists playing live at the renowned Roundhouse in London. The Roundhouse opened in 1846 with very different beginnings – a steam engine repair centre. Over the years, it took different paths; eventually becoming what is now a legendary performance hall hosting the likes of Pink Floyd, Led Zeppelin and Jimi Hendrix.

Since the iTunes Festival launched in 2007, it has carried on the tradition of stellar performances, bringing in mega stars like Adele, Coldplay and the Foo Fighters. Aside from the artists already mentioned, this year's lineup runs the gamut from Sir Elton John to Kings of Leon, the Lumineers to Chic featuring Nile Rodgers – something for all musical passions.

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The only way to get access to the event is to win tickets. Metro has them! Check out the back page for details on how to enter for a chance to win. Throughout the month, Metro will have gig reviews and reminders on performances. Keep reading for the latest news.

The Lineup

Performances air at 4 p.m. ET/1 p.m. PT on iTunes or the official app. Miss the show? No worries, watch it on demand for a limited time after.



Mother monster to her brood of evangelical fans, Lady Gaga is one of the most dramatic entertainers to hit the world stage in recent years. Starting with a showcase at New York's The Cutting Room in 2006, Gaga has gone on to be an international sensation thanks to albums like *The Fame* and *Born This Way*, and her recently released song *Applause*.



Sealing its longevity with the 2008 hit *Use Somebody*, King of Leon's has expanded its southern rock sound over the years to become a critical and commercial success. The jewel in Leon's award-winning crown is the collaboration of brothers Nathan, Jared and Caleb Followill with their cousin Matthew. The band's sixth studio album, *Mechanical Bull*, is slated for release this September.



This sexy R&B crooner known for his controversial "Blurred Lines" is no stranger to the bright lights of Hollywood, having grown up in the spotlight as the son of actor Alan Thicke. Fast forward a few years and the American Music Award nominee is a star in his own right now.



Not even a Suit & Tie can cramp the cred of Justin Timberlake. JT went from clean-cut Disney star to successfully stepping in sync as a boy bander before bringing *SexyBack* as a solo artist. Add a scene-stealing movie career to the mix and you have the making of a long and lucrative career.



The only artist to spend 69 consecutive weeks in the top ten of Billboards' Hot 100, Katy Perry is a musical force to behold. From the irreverent *I Kissed a Girl* to the self-empowering *Firework*, she has earned her place as one today's most beloved and sought-after performers, with fans eagerly awaiting her new album, *Prism*.

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SEPT 2 | Sigur Rós [OPENER: POLIÇA]

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SEPT 5 | Rizzle Kicks [OPENER: Eliza Doolittle]

SEPT 6 | Queens of the Stone Age
[OPENER: Palma Violets]

SEPT 7 | Phoenix [OPENER: Little Green Cars]

SEPT 8 | Bastille [OPENER: The 1975]

SEPT 9 | Arctic Monkeys [OPENER: Drenge]

SEPT 10 | Jake Bugg [OPENER: Valerie June]

SEPT 11 | Kings of Leon [OPENER: Jimmy Eat World]

SEPT 12 | Elton John [OPENER: Tom Odell]

SEPT 13 | Avicii [OPENER: Henrik B]

SEPT 14 | Chic Featuring Nile Rodgers
[OPENER: Janelle Monáe]

SEPT 15 | Vampire Weekend [OPENER: The Olms]

SEPT 16 | Jack Johnson [OPENER: Bahamas]

SEPT 17 | Ludovico Einaudi [OPENER: Agnes Obel]

SEPT 18 | Thirty Seconds To Mars
[OPENER: The Family Rain]

SEPT 19 | Kendrick Lamar [OPENER: Schoolboy Q]

SEPT 20 | Primal Scream [OPENER: Skinny Girl Diet]

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SEPT 24 | Robin Thicke [OPENER: Aloe Blacc]

SEPT 25 | Pixies [OPENER: NO CEREMONY///]

SEPT 26 | Tinie Tempah [OPENER: Naughty Boy]

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Old-school comedy goes quicker, faster and funnier

Package Deal. Executive producer says character development takes a backseat to rapid-fire delivery these days

There was a time when an audience would hear how a show was "filmed in front of

a live studio audience" rather than the rumbling ha-ha-has of a laugh track. City's new show *Package Deal* is a return to the old-school ways of comedy.

"It was my first time doing anything live," admitted Julia Votch, who plays the woman who comes between three close brothers in this original series.

"I haven't done theatre ... so I was a bit nervous, but the first time hearing them laugh at you and what you are doing, it felt so great and it heightened everyone's performance."

Executive produced by Andrew Orenstein, and also starring Randal Edwards, Jay Malone and Harland Williams, the series was to premiere in the spring, and then summer,

before being pushed into the fall by City.

It will now air Mondays starting Sept. 30, edged between *How I Met Your Mother* and *2 Broke Girls*.

"For the first time in my career we were actually bumped for hockey," joked Orenstein, who worked on *Malcolm in the Middle* and *3rd Rock from the Sun*. "I think it is a nice vote of confidence for the

show that, you know, they looked at our show, and they went and looked at the other shows that they are buying, and thought, 'Well, heck, it would fit in nicely.'"

Orenstein says that in the last 10 or 15 years, the reality of situational comedy shows has changed. There used to be time to develop characters at the expense of rapid-fire jokes, but the reverse is now true.

Make way for the puck

"For the first time in my career we were actually bumped for hockey."

Executive producer Andrew Orenstein

"The world is quicker," he said. "You have to be quicker and faster and funnier."

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Package Deal airs Mondays on City starting Sept. 30. CONTRIBUTED

Reign. You won't learn history from this show



Reign airs on CTV Two starting Thursday, Oct. 17. CONTRIBUTED

The cast and creator of the upcoming series *Reign*, about the rise of Mary, Queen of Scots, are defending creative liberties taken for the show. *Reign* stars Adelaide Kane as Mary, a 15-year-old who arrives at court because of an arranged marriage to Francis, the future king of France. One issue: Francis is played by hunky actor Toby Regbo, when in reality Francis was a sickly

child. And to keep things interesting, there's a love triangle where Mary is torn between her husband-to-be and another hunky character named Sebastian, who never existed. Kane says the show's target demo of 18- to 34-year-olds won't care. "How many teenage girls do you know that are obsessed with history? I know I wasn't at that age," Kane said.

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MMMBop? Hanson singing a new Anthem

Interview. Isaac from Hanson talks about what it was like growing up in the industry and making a band work



RICHARD PECKETT

Metro World News in London

On hearing the name Hanson, most people will peppy reply by humming a quick chorus of MMMBop. But there's more to the band of brothers — Isaac, Taylor and Zac — than long flowing locks and that hit released back in 1997.

A lot's changed for Hanson since MMMBop.

They have 10 kids between them, their own label, they've released a beer called MMMHops and sold 16 million albums worldwide.

Tut tut to those of you who had them down as one-hit wonders.

The cherubic trio are celebrating their 21st anniversary as a band with the release of

Singing till the end

"My enthusiasm for music has never waned because I think music is the ultimate expression of fear, joy, sadness and anger."

Isaac Hanson
Talking about his love of making music

their sixth studio album, *Anthem*, which includes trademark soulful pop/rock tracks like *Get the Girl Back*.

Metro chats with the band's oldest member, Isaac, on the run-up to their six-month world tour. Isaac spills about brotherly bickering, the industry's failings and not giving in to groupie temptation.

Has making your new album been easier than making a marriage work?

I think it's very similar to making a marriage work. It's probably more complicated because there are three people involved. Going into this album we had to make some real adjustments. We had been hitting the ground pretty hard after touring for the previous two years.

It's been publicized that the album nearly didn't happen due to disagreements. Were you working too hard?

It was part of it. We had a different plan for the record — it was much more 2013. The current way of looking at music is just not working for the whole business and nobody is willing to reassess that.

What did you want to do differently?

We wanted to make it an ongoing musical experience but I'll leave it at that. We're hoping that we'll look at that project again in the future.

Who normally incites the arguments?

(Laughs) All of us are perfectly willing to cause trouble. I will say I have a tendency to play devil's advocate quite a lot, so that keeps me in the mix.

What happened during the recording of *Anthem*?

The initial blowout was because we were working on our fan club EP that we release every single year and we had been up really, really late a lot of nights in a row. People were stressed about what was coming and we were working on the song *Tonight* at about 2 a.m. We were frustrated with the process and I said something to Zac, Zac said something to me and so on. It ended with a few fists being thrown and people walking out.

Has your enthusiasm for music waned at all since you first started?



Taylor Hanson, Isaac Hanson and Zac Hanson are releasing their sixth album. EAMONN M. MCCORMACK/GETTY IMAGES

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My enthusiasm for music has never waned because I think music is the ultimate expression of fear, joy, sadness and anger — it's a great healer.

Is it the industry that's at fault?

The music business is messed up. I compare the music business to the whaling industry. The music business is still trying to sell blubber to people who want kerosene.

Are artists too dependent on the label?

Artists in so many cases become very insecure and need

handlers to go through life because they allow themselves to perpetuate their own insecurity.

Justin Bieber is having a meltdown. Do you think that's what's going on with him?

I have no idea. But if you don't know who you are, everyone will tell you who you should be. If you know who you are, the music you're trying to make and why you're there, then that's sustainable; that's your foundation. Even if the girls and the fame go away, you're there for the music.

They make music to take afternoon naps to

Children's music. Dan Zanes teams up with Elizabeth Mitchell to create music for toddlers and their parents

Dan Zanes and Elizabeth Mitchell had only been playing for about 10 minutes when the stage was invaded.

The first to appear was a stuffed lamb. Then a cuddly dinosaur. Then all hell broke loose and kids on tiptoes were putting all sorts of beloved stuffed animals — and a collection of 19 neatly organized *My Little Ponies* — on the lip

of the stage to get a better listen.

"Did they buy tickets?" Zanes happily teased from behind a guitar on New York University's Skirball Center stage on Saturday. "Actually, ponies and dinosaurs get in for free."

If most concerts these days are about twerking and pyrotechnics, a Zanes concert usually involves some gentle choo-choo dancing in the aisles, world beats and teddy bears. Plus, it's often over by noon — that's when the target audience naps.

"We have wild dance parties before lunch," he says in an interview a day before a concert.

Zanes, a rail-thin, bushy-

For my next trick...

"Being able to sit down and play an instrument for young people, you might as well be pulling a ferret out of your sleeve."

Dan Zanes
Talking about being a children's musician

haired Grammy Award winner whom *People* magazine has called the "crown prince of contemporary kid's music," is a former member of the 1980s band *The Del Fuegos*, who turned to children's music after the birth of his daughter and never looked

back, building a career with infectious sounds from all over the world.

This month marks a new CD collaboration with Mitchell, also a giant among the napping set. To parents, the teaming up of Zanes and Mitchell is virtually akin to Paul McCartney and John Lennon working together.

In *Turn, Turn, Turn*, Zanes and Mitchell work with Daniel and Storey Littleton — Mitchell's husband and daughter — to create gentle folk tunes.

"Being able to sit down and play an instrument for young people, you might as well be pulling a ferret out of your sleeve," he says. "It's that amazing." **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**



Dan Zanes has been called the "crown prince of contemporary kid's music," by *People* magazine. CONTRIBUTED

Long weekend tunes



SOUND CHECK
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Labour Day. The saddest long weekend of the year. Maybe there's something here that will cheer you up.



Skyfall/ Russian Army Choir

Six members of the army covering Adele for a Moscow morning show? James Bond gets respect, even in Russia.



One/ Yamantaka // Sonic Titan

These "Noh-wave" experimentalists (and former Polaris Music Prize Short Listers) from Montreal have a new album entitled UZU coming Oct. 29. I, for one, can't wait.



No Rain/Blind Melon

Isolated vocals — just the recording of the singing of well-known songs — are appearing online in increasing numbers. Here's what Shannon Hoon sounded like with all the music stripped away. No Auto-Tune here, kids.

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Katy Perry, Elton John, and Justin Timberlake will be among 30 nights of free concerts worth watching streamed live and on demand from the iTunes Festival in London this September.



Timberlake. Drop what you're doing, Justin needs you!



Justin Timberlake had people taking back the streets. GETTY IMAGES

Hundreds of people flooded the streets outside a New Jersey nightclub after Justin Timberlake took to social media about filming a commercial.

The singer tweeted on Wednesday: "Join me & @Target tonight for just one song. Let's 'Take Back the Night.' First 150 get in. See you there!"

Fans jammed the street outside Maxwell's in Hoboken, and police used loudspeakers to control the crowd.

The Jersey Journal reports that Timberlake's wife, Jessica Biel, was spotted near his trailer.

The indie-rock club closed its doors after a 35-year run in July. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

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Michael Douglas and Catherine Zeta Jones

Jailbird Cameron thought to be reason why Douglas and Zeta Jones split

The recent split between Michael Douglas and Catherine Zeta-Jones was reportedly spurred along by tension caused by his incarcerated son, Cameron Douglas, according to Radar Online. "Cameron is in solitary confinement and hasn't seen his father in an eternity, as he can't have visitors. Michael is beside himself. It consumes

him," a source says. "Cameron and Catherine never seemed to have a close relationship, and I think Michael always felt she just didn't care for the situation. He probably felt there was little sympathy from her toward him and Cameron." Cameron is expected to remain in prison on drug charges until 2018.



Twitter



@EmmaBunton
Have I missed anything??



@SarahKSilverman
Here's a fun fact. We are all 100% definitely going to die.



@ActuallyNPH
I've decided that I'd like to be J.J. Abrams' best friend. I feel like that should happen.

METRO DISH

OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

The Word

Let's cut Cyrus some slack and remember what we did in our crazy 20s

PAT HEALY

Metro World News in Boston

I'm just going to go ahead and say it: Miley Cyrus really doesn't care and I sort of love her for it. What? Don't look at me like that. The hipster dream sequence/American Apparel-ad on-acid spectacle that was the video for We Can't Stop was weird as hell, but it was also sort of amazing. And you all know it.

And here's the thing, people. Do you know how old Miley Cyrus is? She is 20 years old. Do you remember what you were doing at 20? Not caring about anything pretty much. Getting all kinds of messed up on all kinds of substances and making all kinds of mistakes. (Ahem, at least that's what I imagine YOU all were doing. I was studying for finals, in my pajamas, at all times.)

The difference between 20-year-old Miley Cyrus and 20-year-old you and me, however, is that we didn't have cameras documenting our every move. (Unless you did, in which case — hey, cool, thanks for taking time out of your fancy celebrity life and reading this column!)



So, in my estimation, Miley Cyrus is pretty much hitting all the normal, 20-year-old idiot signposts — and awesomely so.

Case and point: in response to the hysterics since her VMA performance (I'm having a little chuckle at my desk right now imagining middle-aged women furiously googling the word "twerk" and getting really, really confused) Miley did not issue some half-assed apology for slutting it up and having a good time via Twitter.

No, Miley instead began tweeting a bunch of slutty pics of herself — all of them featuring her bony butt from its least bony angle — by way of issuing the world a big middle finger. Get on with your bad self, Miley.



Zach Braff ALL IMAGES GETTY

Busy Braff keen to please all 46,000 investors of his imminent Kickstarter flick

After his hugely successful Kickstarter campaign to fund his next movie drew just as much criticism as support, Zach Braff knows he has something to prove as Wish I Was Here goes into production. "If this is the test case for this way of financing a movie, I want to set the bar really, really high," Braff tells E! News.

Of course, having 46,000 investors for your film can be a bit daunting, but Braff says no one is getting short shrift. "If any of these 46,000 people email us or contact us, they get a response that day, hopefully within a couple of hours," he says. "We treat them like they're guests at the fanciest hotel and we're the concierge."

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Season's end sipper



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Coming from the Maritimes, I know that September can offer the best beach weather of the year. Even so, for the vast majority of Canadians the Labour Day is summer's last call.

Since the acknowledgment of hard work is the reason why we have this Monday off, I can't think of a better way to say a premature adios to summer than with a toast using something that took a little effort to create.

European bartenders have been mixing and matching their local liquids for decades, creating easy-to-make cocktails that more often than not have a wine base. All you need to get started is a bottle of white or sparkling.

In France's Burgundy region, Kir (using white) and Kir Royale (using sparkling) is made by adding a teaspoon of Crème de Cassis (\$20.79 to \$22.20) – a thick fruited blackberry liqueur – to the wine.

My favourite vino cocktail is The Spritz, invented in Northern Italy. Made with bubbly Prosecco, a dash of bitter Aperol (\$21.99 to \$26.98) aperitif and topped off with fizzy water, it's refreshing, no matter the season. **PRICES REFLECT RANGE ACROSS COUNTRY. SOME PRODUCTS MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE IN ALL PROVINCES.**



Marinades are the easiest way to add flavours to your meals. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

One final summer long weekend hurrah

Marinades. Surprise your backyard get-together guests with some new flavours

Citrus marinades

Citrus juices are fairly acidic, which means they permeate and tenderize food quickly.

They work great as a base for marinades that you want to throw together just before dinner. For seafood, marinate for up to 30 minutes; chicken and steak can handle up to 2 hours.

Chipotle-Lime: Juice and zest of 2 limes, 2 tablespoons adobo sauce and 1 minced chipotle chili from a can of chipotles in adobo sauce, 2 cloves minced garlic, a hefty pinch of salt.

Orange-Cumin: Juice and zest of 1 orange, 1 tablespoon ground cumin, 1 teaspoon chili powder, 1 teaspoon garlic powder, a hefty pinch of salt. Try with haddock or chicken breasts.

Lemon-Herb: Juice and zest of 1 lemon, 1 tablespoon Italian herb blend, 1 teaspoon ground black pepper, hefty pinch of salt. Good on salmon or chicken thighs.

Vinaigrette marinades

Because vinegar is so aggressive, you'll want to temper it with oil. This helps carry the flavour into the food, as well as prevent the flavours from becoming too jarring. For fish, seafood and vegetables, marinate for 30 minutes and up to 2 hours. For chicken, steak and pork, you can go for up to 8 hours.

Garlic-Balsamic: 2 tablespoons olive oil, 2 tablespoons balsamic vinegar, 4 cloves minced garlic, hefty pinch salt. Try with pork loin or steak tips.

Spicy Hoison: 2 tablespoons rice vinegar, 2 tablespoons hoisin sauce, 1 tablespoon vegetable oil, 1 teaspoon red pepper flakes, 1 teaspoon five-spice powder. Try on chicken tenders or scallops.

Maple-Soy: 2 tablespoons soy sauce, 3 tablespoons apple cider vinegar, 2 tablespoons maple syrup. Try with pork tenderloin medallions or cod.

Wine marinades

Wine is a great base for subtle marinades. Because they have a softer flavour than citrus or vinegar, you can use them to highlight other flavours. These mar-

inades work especially well for hearty vegetables and meats. Marinate from 30 minutes to overnight.

Red Wine-Rosemary: 1/4 cup red wine, 1 tablespoon olive oil, hefty pinch each of salt and black pepper, 1 large stem rosemary, chopped. Try with portobello mushrooms.

White Wine-Mustard: 1/4 cup dry white wine, 3 tablespoons Dijon mustard, 1 tablespoon vegetable oil, hefty pinch each salt and black pepper. Great with chicken or eggplant.

Raspberry-Ginger: 1/4 cup sweet red wine, 1/4 cup seedless raspberry jam, 1 tablespoon vegetable oil, 2 tablespoons grated ginger, hefty pinch each salt and black pepper. Try on pork chops. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

Ingredients

- 6 large ears of corn (3 with husks and silks removed, all 6 soaked in water, 10 mins)
- 1 tbsp olive oil
- 4 tbsp sweet butter, melted
- 1/2 cup mayonnaise
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro, plus sprigs to serve
- Zest and juice of 1 lime
- 2 cloves garlic, finely grated
- 1/2 tsp chipotle chili powder
- Maldon or other flaked sea salt
- 1/2 cup queso anejo
- 1/2 cup grated Asiago cheese, plus extra to garnish
- 6 slices apple wood smoked bacon, cooked and crumbled
- Ground black pepper

Mexican street corn in a salad

1. Heat grill for medium-high direct heat cooking.

2. Remove corn from water and pat dry. Brush 3 ears of husked corn on all sides with the olive oil. Leave other ears of corn in their husks.

3. Place all corn on cooking grate. Grill, turning occasionally, until husked corn is well-browned and charred in places, about 10 minutes. Other ears of corn will steam in husks, but the husks themselves will be dried out and

charred in places.

4. Remove corn from grill and set aside until cool and easily handled, 5 mins. Once cool enough to handle, remove husks and silk from 3 ears that were grilled with them on.

5. One at a time, stand each ear on wide end and use serrated knife to saw down length of cob to remove the kernels. Discard the cobs, then transfer the kernels to a large bowl. Mix in the melted butter, then set aside.

6. In a bowl, stir together the mayonnaise, cilantro, lime zest and juice, garlic, chili powder and pinch of salt. Stir in both cheeses and most of the bacon, reserving a little for garnish. Add the dressing to the buttered corn kernels and mix well. Taste and season with salt and pepper. Garnish with grated cheese, cilantro and the reserved bacon. Serve chilled or at room temperature.

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This recipe serves four. MATTHEW MEAD/ THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Milos Raonic plays a forehand in his match against Pablo Andujar at the U.S. Open on Thursday in New York. MATTHEW STOCKMAN/GETTY IMAGES

Raonic not ready to leave New York

U.S. Open. Product of Ontario the last Canadian left standing in singles action

Milos Raonic is the lone Canadian left in singles at the U.S. Open.

Raonic advanced to the third round with a 6-1, 6-2, 6-4 victory over Spain's Pablo Andujar on Thursday.

The 10th-seeded Thornhill, Ont., native fired a modest nine aces, with Andujar saving match points in the last two games. Raonic served it out a

game later to take the win on his sixth winning opportunity with a deep forehand to the corner after just over two hours.

The 22-year-old is quietly looking ahead to what he hopes will be continual improvement at the final major of the season.

"I'm playing really well. I created a lot of opportunities for myself, especially on his serve," said Raonic. "But I can serve better, so that gives me a day to work on it. It gives me a lot of confidence and a lot of belief in myself."

Raonic will next face Feliciano Lopez after the Spaniard defeated American Bradley Klahn 6-4, 7-6 (7-4), 4-6, 7-5. Ra-

Seeing doubles

Toronto's Daniel Nestor and Vasek Pospisil of Vernon, B.C., combined for a first-round men's doubles win, beating India's Mahesh Bhupathi and German Philipp Petzschner 6-3, 7-6 (4).

- It was Nestor's first match since splitting from Swede Robert Lindstedt this month.

onic's best results at a major were a pair of fourth-round exits at the Australian Open

and in New York in 2011.

Earlier in the men's side, Spain's Tommy Robredo defeated Frank Dancevic of Niagara Falls, Ont., 6-4, 6-4, 6-1.

There were no survivors for Canada on the women's side.

Montreal's Eugenie Bouchard fought off four match points before losing 6-4, 2-6, 6-3 to eighth-seeded Angelique Kerber.

Aleksandra Wozniak of Blainville, Que., playing only her second match since March after last autumn's shoulder injury, faced a huge task against double Grand Slam champion Victoria Azarenka and lost 6-3, 6-1. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**

Football

NFL agrees to pay \$765M to settle concussion cases

The NFL agreed to pay more than three-quarters of a billion dollars to settle lawsuits from thousands of former players who developed dementia or other concussion-related health problems they say were caused by the very on-field violence that fuelled the game's rise to popularity and profit.

The settlement, unprecedented in sports, was announced Thursday after two months of court-ordered mediation and is subject to approval by a federal judge.

The majority of the \$765-million settlement will go to compensating athletes with certain neurological ailments, plus plaintiffs' attorney fees.

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NHL

B's sign Chiarelli to extension

The Boston Bruins have signed general manager Peter Chiarelli to a four-year contract extension through the 2017-18 season.

With Chiarelli in charge, the Bruins won the Stanley Cup in 2011 and went to the final last season. They've made the playoffs in six of the seven years he has been GM, going 50-35 in the post-season.

The Bruins have had a winning percentage of .596 under Chiarelli, who is also part of Team Canada's management group for the 2014 Winter Olympics in Sochi. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



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Threats to player who injured Argos QB 'ridiculous': Coach

Clean hit. Red-hot Ricky Ray out up to six weeks with partial muscle tear after being laid out by Stamps DE

It drew the ire of some football fans but Toronto head coach Scott Milanovich has no problem with the hit that's sidelined star quarterback Ricky Ray for approximately six weeks.

Ray injured his right shoulder in the first quarter of Toronto's 35-14 home loss to Calgary on Friday night. After throwing an incompletion on the run, Ray put out his right arm to brace his fall after taking a clean hit from Stampeders defensive lineman Charleston Hughes.

Ray left the game and didn't return.



Ricky Ray is injured in a tackle by Calgary DL Charleston Hughes. THE CANADIAN PRESS

Afterwards, Charleston said he received multiple threatening e-mails through his personal website for the hit. On Thursday, Milanovich told reporters the nature of Ray's injury and said any threats directed at Charleston are unwarranted.

"I think it's ridiculous," he

said. "It was a clean hit.

"The guy plays hard and is a good football player. I didn't think twice about that hit."

Backup Zach Collaros will start for the Argos (5-3) when they host the Montreal Alouettes (3-5) on Tuesday night.

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MLB

AMERICAN LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	79	56	.585	—
Tampa Bay	75	57	.568	2½
Baltimore	71	61	.538	6½
New York	70	63	.526	8
Toronto	60	74	.448	18½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Detroit	78	56	.582	—
Cleveland	71	62	.534	6½
Kansas City	69	64	.519	8½
Minnesota	57	75	.432	20
Chicago	56	76	.424	21

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Texas	78	55	.586	—
Oakland	75	58	.564	3
Los Angeles	60	72	.455	17½
Seattle	60	73	.451	18
Houston	44	89	.331	34

Thursday's results

Baltimore 3 Boston 2
L.A. Angels 2 Tampa Bay 0
Seattle 3 Houston 2
Kansas City 3 Minnesota 1
Detroit 7 Oakland 6

Wednesday's results

Toronto 7 N.Y. Yankees 2
Oakland 14 Detroit 4
Texas 12 Seattle 4
Tampa Bay 4 L.A. Angels 1
Chicago White Sox 6 Houston 1
Kansas City 8 Minnesota 1
Boston 4 Baltimore 3

Friday's games

All times Eastern

Baltimore (Gonzalez 8-6) at N.Y. Yankees (Sabathia 11-11), 7:05 p.m.
Kansas City (Santana 8-7) at Toronto (Buehrle 10-7), 7:07 p.m.
Cleveland (McAllister 7-7) at Detroit (Porcello 10-7), 7:08 p.m.
Chicago White Sox (Santiago 4-7) at Boston (Dempster 6-9), 7:10 p.m.
Minnesota (Hendricks 0-2) at Texas (Darvish 12-5), 8:05 p.m.
Seattle (Walker 0-0) at Houston (Peacock 3-4), 8:10 p.m.
Tampa Bay (Price 8-5) at Oakland (Parker 10-6), 10:05 p.m.

NATIONAL LEAGUE

EAST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Atlanta	81	52	.609	—
Washington	68	65	.511	13
Philadelphia	61	73	.455	20½
New York	60	72	.455	20½
Miami	49	83	.371	31½

CENTRAL DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
St. Louis	78	55	.586	—
Pittsburgh	77	56	.579	1
Cincinnati	75	59	.560	3½
Milwaukee	59	74	.444	19
Chicago	56	77	.421	22

WEST DIVISION

	W	L	Pct	GB
Los Angeles	78	55	.586	—
Arizona	68	64	.515	9½
Colorado	63	72	.467	16
San Diego	60	73	.451	18
San Francisco	59	74	.444	19

Thursday's results

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Washington 9 Miami 0

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San Diego 5 Arizona 1
Cincinnati 10 St. Louis 0
Pittsburgh 7 Milwaukee 1
Washington 4 Miami 3
L.A. Dodgers 4 Chicago Cubs 0
Friday's games — All times Eastern
Philadelphia (Halladay 3-4) at Chicago Cubs (Samardzija 8-11), 2:20 p.m.
St. Louis (Miller 12-8) at Pittsburgh (Liriano 14-6), 7:05 p.m.
N.Y. Mets (Gee 9-9) at Washington (Zimmermann 15-7), 7:05 p.m.
Miami (Fernandez 10-5) at Atlanta (Teheran 10-7), 7:30 p.m.
L.A. Angels (Weaver 8-7) at Milwaukee (Peralta 8-13), 8:10 p.m.
Cincinnati (Arroyo 13-9) at Colorado (Manish 0-4), 8:40 p.m.
San Francisco (Lincecum 7-13) at Arizona (Delgado 4-4), 9:40 p.m.
San Diego (Stults 8-11) at L.A. Dodgers (Ryu 12-5), 10:10 p.m.

CFL

EAST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
Toronto	8	5	3	0	244	209	10
Hamilton	8	4	4	0	203	219	8
Montreal	8	3	5	0	195	239	6
Winnipeg	8	1	7	0	167	247	2

WEST DIVISION

	GP	W	L	T	PF	PA	Pt
Saskatchewan	8	7	1	0	264	177	14
Calgary	8	6	2	0	261	200	12
B.C.	8	5	3	0	207	203	10
Edmonton	8	1	7	0	188	235	2

WEEK 10

Friday's game — All times Eastern

Hamilton at B.C., 10 p.m.

Sunday's game

Winnipeg at Saskatchewan, 4 p.m.

Monday's game

Edmonton at Calgary, 5 p.m.

Tuesday's game

Montreal at Toronto, 7:30 p.m.

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	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Montreal	12	7	5	41	35	41
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Kansas City	11	9	6	36	26	39
Philadelphia	10	8	8	37	37	38
New England	10	9	6	34	28	36
Houston	10	8	6	29	24	36
Chicago	10	10	4	30	34	34
Columbus	8	12	5	29	34	29
Toronto	4	12	9	22	34	21
D.C.	3	17	5	15	41	14

WESTERN CONFERENCE

	W	L	T	GF	GA	Pts
Salt Lake	13	8	6	48	33	45
Los Angeles	12	9	4	40	32	40
Colorado	10	7	9	33	27	39
Portland	9	4	12	37	26	39
Seattle	11	8	4	31	26	37
Dallas	9	7	10	36	38	37
Vancouver	10	9	6	36	33	36
San Jose	9	10	7	28	37	34
Chivas	5	14	6	24	45	21

Friday's games — All times Eastern

New England at Toronto, 7 p.m.

Portland at Real Salt Lake, 10 p.m.

Saturday's games

Seattle at Columbus, 7:30 p.m.

Montreal at Philadelphia, 7:30 p.m.

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Horoscopes

Aries

March 21 - April 20

You have met so many challenges lately that you are entitled to back off — but you won't. Mars, your ruler, is urging you to go on the attack. Keep the pressure on your rivals, and on yourself.

Taurus

April 21 - May 21

There are a number of things you no longer need in your life and now is the time to get rid of them. You know what they are and how they are holding you back, so go on and purge.

Gemini

May 22 - June 21

It will be easy to go over the top and say something you don't really mean — and the consequences could be costly. You don't need to be so forthright in your opinions.

Cancer

June 22 - July 23

Your mind is moving super fast at the moment, thanks to the positive influence of Mercury. But others won't be so quick in the brain box department, so make allowances and spell out the answers for them.

Leo

July 24 - Aug. 23

You must resolve to stay the course, whatever the temptation may be to cut your losses and get out. Your solar chart indicates that it will all work out right in the end.

Virgo

Aug. 24 - Sept. 23

Even if the facts are on your side, you could be in a difficult position today because friends and colleagues have got it completely wrong and you don't want to embarrass them. Still, the truth is the truth.

Libra

Sept. 24 - Oct. 23

Your popularity will soar over the next few days and people in positions of power will go out of their way to do you favours. Bear in mind though that they will expect those favours to be returned.

Scorpio

Oct. 24 - Nov. 22

You are not the kind to let people dictate to you but cosmic activity in the career area of your chart suggests you may have to today. Try not to antagonize authority figures.

Sagittarius

Nov. 23 - Dec. 21

A Sun-Saturn link will boost your self-discipline and make it easier for you to complete tasks that you might otherwise lose interest in. It's not true that Sags lack in staying power. Prove it.

Capricorn

Dec. 22 - Jan. 20

There may be no logical reason why a certain person gets on your nerves but they do and there isn't much you can do about it. What you can do, of course, is stay out of their way for the next 24 hours.

Aquarius

Jan. 21 - Feb. 19

Don't allow yourself to be talked into supporting a cause you don't believe in. Just because it is the fashionable thing does not make it right.

Pisces

Feb. 20 - March 20

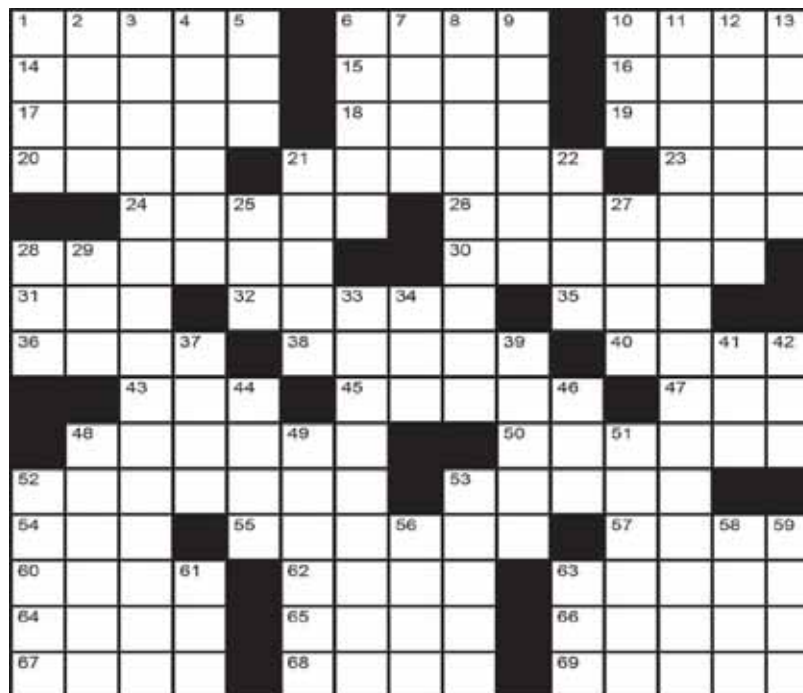
There is no point trying to explain why you have chosen to follow a certain course — few people are likely to understand. The only thing that matters is that you believe you are doing the right thing. Do you?

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Crossword: Canada Across and Down

Across

1. Apple, in Quebec City
6. Boxing blows
10. Cook's crackees
14. Vestibule
15. Fit
16. Ms. Loughlin of "Full House"
17. "Over There": Composed by George M. ____
18. "Proper" word?
19. String problem
20. Ladies
21. Swanky neighbourhood of Winnipeg
23. ____ and flow
24. "____! I remember now!"
26. Escape; or, Selena Gomez's new movie
28. Fellini film, "La ____" (1954)
30. Restrain: 2 wds.
31. Furry friend
32. "...upon so ____ subject as myself." - Bit of Romeo and Juliet
35. Big hurricane, ____ 5
36. Longbow woods
38. Hen's home
40. Crevice-filling wedge
43. Q. "What's the opposite of 'out'?" A. "____", think."
45. Ms. O'Donnell
47. Numerical prefix
48. Mini burger



50. Vancouver-born actor James who played Scotty on "Star Trek"
52. Certain cracker
53. Category
54. "Babe: ____ in the City" (1998)
55. Mary-Kate and Ashley
57. Venerations
60. Moisturizer

- ingredient
62. "Make ____," ("Star Trek: The Next Generation" catchphrase)
63. Sharpshoot
64. Not ruffled
65. Crease
66. President Nixon's first VP, Spiro ____
67. Rubik's Cube inventor, ____ Rubik

68. Genuine
 69. Gives up control
- Down**
1. Mil. ranks
 2. "Woow!"
 3. Celine Dion hit: 5 wds.
 4. Fredericton-born soprano Ms. Brueggemann
 5. Sea eagle, variantly
 6. Roman Myth: God

- of beginnings
7. "...like ____ of chocolates..." - Forrest Gump
8. Country sound
9. E-Mail getter, say
10. Antlered animal
11. Film classic on Vancouver-born actress Ann Rutherford's resume: 4 wds.
12. Josh of song

13. Be indifferent: 2 wds.
21. "Coffee, ____ milk?"
22. Ear-related
25. NFL measurements
27. Collections of anecdotes
28. Mata Hari, for one
29. Little laugh, ____-hee
33. Montreal-born opera great, Maureen ____
34. Also
37. Miffed state
39. Rolling-to-shore waters
41. Mr. Gershwin
42. Maximum opp.
44. Prefix to 'syn-crazy' (Mannerism)
46. Time type
48. Popeye's profession
49. Join the army
51. Netflix prison-set series, "____ Is the New Black"
52. Astronomer's interest
53. Pointed-hat garden ornament
56. Classic tongue-twister bit, "____ Wood sawed wood."
58. Blade in sports
59. Uses needle-and-thread
61. Jeff Lynne's gr.
63. Pouch

Yesterday's Crossword

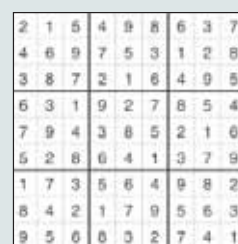


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Yesterday's Sudoku



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